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# For Israelis, There Is No Downside to Raids on Lebanon

By Barton Gellman
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JERUSALEM — After months of feeling victimized by unseen foes, Israelis are reveling in nearly everything about their army's punishing thrust into Lebanon: the mere fact of action, the high-tech displays, the sense of having tormentors on the run.

Even the name, Operation Grapes of Wrath, is pronounced with satisfaction in street interviews. The image is drawn from a verse in Deuteronomy that goes on a few lines later to vow: "Yea, their day of disaster is near, and destiny rushes upon them."

The enemy that Israel has in mind is Hezbollah, the Shiite militia supported by Iran, which has intensified rocket attacks on northern Israel in recent months in a cycle of violence connected with the Israeli military occupation of a strip of southern Lebanon that it calls its security zone.

The Israeli government has been under increasing pressure to take some action toward improving security, with the rocket attacks following a series of suicide bombings in Israel by radical Palestinians that claimed 59 victims during nine days in February and March.

The Lebanon operation is a political windfall for Prime Minister Shimon Peres, whose Labor Party faces a national election May 29. Opposition leaders of the Likud Party, such as Uzi Landau, have been reduced to applauding Mr. Peres for "at last adopting some important Likud-oriented principles" of fighting terror. A pollster, Mina Tsemach, said that Mr. Peres's popularity will certainly rise in the short term.

Israel has taken only modest diplomatic criticism. President Jacques Chirac of France complained to Mr. Peres about excessive force and the Israeli foreign minister, Ehud Barak, fielded similar calls from Egyptian, Jordanian and some European foreign ministers. But there is no serious pressure on the government here, and its most important ally, the United States, has substituted unambiguous backing for its customary call on "all sides" to show restraint.

Most Israelis are well aware that the brunt of the pain is being borne by Lebanese civilians and the government in Beirut.

"The price that they are paying now for hitting our civilian structure is that the same is being done to them," said Yossi Beilin, a cabinet minister and close adviser to Mr. Peres. In an interview, he added: "The aim is Hezbollah. The venue or the vehicle may be pressure on the government of Lebanon."

Political leaders and public opinion alike are

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Jim Hollander/Reuters

An Israeli gunner giving the thumbs-up sign Monday as his armored personnel carrier rolled into Lebanon from a border staging area.

# U.S. Tries to Get Syria Involved in Truce Deal

By Serge Schmemann
*New York Times Service*

JERUSALEM — Israeli planes and artillery hammered Lebanon for the fifth day Monday, but Israeli and American officials reported that intensive contacts had begun in an effort to end the fighting, possibly by week's end.

A White House spokesman said that Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, en route to East Asia, opened a round of extensive talks Monday with Syrian, Lebanese and Israeli officials. At the same time, Israeli radio reported that the Iranian foreign minister would visit Damascus and Beirut within 48 hours.

"The dance has begun. We hope the time is ripe," an Israeli official said, confirming that Mr. Christopher held lengthy telephone talks Monday with Prime Minister Shimon Peres and Foreign Minister Ehud Barak, as well as Foreign Minister Farouk Shara of Syria and Prime Minister Rafik Hariri of Lebanon.

In other moves, the French foreign minister, Hervé de Charette, met in Israel with Mr. Peres and Mr. Barak, although Israeli commentators put little stock in his initiative. Mr. de Charette reportedly asked Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati of Iran to join in the efforts to halt the fighting, and Israeli Radio said Mr. Velayati would visit Damascus and Beirut within the next two days. Page 5.

The Jordanian prime minister, Abdul-Karim Kabariti, was expected in Israel on Tuesday to also help mediate.

Israeli officials said they believed a cease-fire agreement could be reached within two or three days, in time for residents who had fled from threatened regions of northern Israel to return to their homes by the national holiday next Monday.

Mr. Peres has not spelled out the goals of attacks in Lebanon, which began last Thursday and have sent hundreds of thousands of Lebanese civilians fleeing from cities and villages south of

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# Japan Takes Weightier Role in Own Security

## *Tokyo Will Pay Most Of the Cost of Closing Bases on Okinawa*

By Kevin Sullivan
and Mary Jordan
*Washington Post Service*

TOKYO — The United States on Monday agreed to return to Japan all or part of 10 U.S. military installations on Okinawa, setting the stage for a visit by President Bill Clinton that officials are describing for both nations as "the most important summit meeting since the end of the Cold War."

The United States will give up about 20 percent of the land it occupies on Okinawa, moving a hospital, housing, huge communications antennas and runways. U.S. officials also agreed to eliminate live artillery drills over local roads, parachute training near residential areas, noisy nighttime jet flights and other irritants that have angered Okinawans since the end of World War II.

Perhaps the most striking aspect of the agreements, and others that will be announced by Mr. Clinton and Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto during the visit that begins Tuesday, is the trend toward Japan becoming more of a partner in its own security. For nearly 50 years, the United States has been almost fully responsible for the defense of the country it bombed into ruins in World War II.

Defense Secretary William J. Perry said Japan will pay virtually all costs associated with the base closings and consolidations on Okinawa, except for the costs of sending jets and other equipment back to the United States. Reports in the Japanese news media said the closing of the 1,200-acre Futenma Air Base alone could cost several billion dollars.

The agreement also calls for Japan and the U.S. to share transportation, refueling, food, water, clothing, medical care, maintenance and even weapons parts during peacetime. More significant, Mr. Hashimoto has agreed to study what Japan's military role would be during a war in East Asia involving U.S. troops. U.S. officials call that a remarkable breakthrough, given Japan's long-held position that its constitution would prohibit any involvement in such a conflict.

Mr. Perry said the agreements would not diminish U.S. military strength in the region. He said the U.S. planned to keep about 100,000 troops in East Asia, including about 47,000 in Japan. While a few jets will be returned to the United States, all other troops and equipment on the returned bases would be moved to other bases on Okinawa or on mainland Japan. The return of one of the bases, Futenma, was announced Friday, but on Monday the defense secretary revealed the total amount of land and installations involved.

"Why didn't we do it a year ago, 5 years ago, 10 years ago?" asked Mr. Perry, who signed the agreement Monday. "Perhaps some good came out of this tragedy," referring to the rape of an Okinawan schoolgirl by three U.S. servicemen last fall that prompted a review that resulted in the agreements.

"It was a wake-up call," Mr. Perry said. "It caused us, both the U.S. government and the Japanese government, to look hard and very seriously at this question." He added: "I think it's had a happy outcome."

Okinawa's governor, Masahide Ota, a leading critic of the U.S. military here, said he was "grateful" for the agreement, although he said it did not go far enough. Mr. Ota has demanded that all bases be closed by 2015.

But, Ambassador Walter F. Mondale said, "We've tried to do every possible thing we could do to be good neighbors in Okinawa. But we still need bases, we still need readiness. If there's trouble, our people have to be prepared. We need ports, we need airports. If you don't have that, you don't have an alliance."

In shifting some of its troops and equipment to other parts of Japan, the

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# Bonn Faces a Showdown With Unions Over Social Spending

By John Schmid
*International Herald Tribune*

FRANKFURT — The government and unions set themselves on a collision course Monday after Bonn warned that Germany's welfare state had been stretched to the breaking point and that it would cut social spending to help reduce the budget by 50 billion Deutsche marks.

Trade unions reacted by threatening to picket if the government carried out its plans to reduce sick pay.

Politicians from the parties that form the governing coalition are to meet Tuesday to discuss changes that include reduced spending, broad welfare reform and tax cuts. Bonn's leaders began to

**Sweden opens initiatives to balance the budget as growth forecasts are cut. Page 11.**

debate the new target figure of 50 billion DM ($33.29 billion) in spending cuts as Chancellor Helmut Kohl returned from Easter vacation.

Although the German economy has slipped into reverse, making austerity moves more difficult, the government is under pressure on two fronts to carry out its 50-point action plan to revive the economy, which it introduced in January. Cutting deficits is essential if Germany is to meet the fiscal benchmarks required to join European monetary union. With unemployment at record levels, the government says it must strip away one of the reasons for layoffs: the high nonwage labor costs and payroll deductions that make German labor so costly.

Rhetoric on both sides flared, even as the government said it was too early to discuss any concrete details of the plan. Setting a confrontational tone, Finance Minister Theo Waigel said that Germans must realize that their snug world of entitlements was a thing of the past and that Germany must overhaul its economy to reflect market principles.

"The social and tax state has reached its limits," Mr. Waigel wrote in a contribution to the newspaper Die Welt. "That means we must talk about social entitlements, as difficult as that is."

Attacking Germany's ingrained system of entitlements, Mr. Waigel said the state could not be held entirely responsible for economic problems, notably unemployment, that are causing deep con-

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## AGENDA

### Palestinian Exiles Get Green Light

JERUSALEM (Reuters) — Israel agreed Monday to let the guerrilla leader Nayef Hawatmeh, once one of the Jewish state's biggest enemies, return to areas ruled by Palestinians for a political conference, officials said.

An Israeli official said the entry of another guerrilla leader, Georges Habash, would probably be approved this week. The entrance of a noted plane hijacker, Laila Khaled, was also approved Monday.


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# At U.S. Masters, a Classic Collapse

## Britain's Faldo Wins as Australia's Norman Loses a 6-Stroke Lead

By Thomas Boswell
*Washington Post Service*

AUGUSTA, Georgia — They say bullfighting is cruel and prizefighting inhumane. But what possible justification can there be for what happened to Greg Norman on Sunday? How can we call this sport?

Actually, we call it exactly that, don't we?

When the top-ranked golfer in the world takes a 6-shot lead into the final round of the Masters, then gets dusted head-to-head by 11 shots, 67-78, by Britain's Nick Faldo, that is sport at its most remorselessly intense. No one has ever squandered so large a third-round lead in a major championship, not since they started counting in 1910. Five players had thrown away 5-shot margins. But six? For this to befall a man who was already the most star-crossed of this century's great players only compounds the pain.

At any other entertainment, we know, within safe parameters, what might happen. In sports, and especially in golf, there is no limit to what can go wrong.

In the case of the 41-year-old Norman, you can win 70 tournaments around the world, yet, in the three most important U.S. tournaments — the Masters, the Open and the PGA Championship — have a career record of 0-46.

As they walked off the 18th green of the Augusta National, Faldo — who now has three of the green jackets given to the winner of the Masters — went to Norman and said: "I don't know what to say. I just want to give you a hug."

Phil Sandlin/The Associated Press

Nick Faldo, left, hugging Greg Norman after he seized the U.S. Masters title in a dramatic final rush in Augusta, Georgia. Page 20.

"That brought tears to my eyes and to his," said Norman, who had just suffered the worst collapse in Masters history, and, all things considered, perhaps the ugliest flop in the annals of modern golf. "I was extremely impressed. He has gone way up in my estimation. None of us pros wants to see what happened to me today happen to any player."

Norman has won many honors, including two British Opens, two Vardon Trophies for best scoring average, two money-winning titles and the 1995 player of the year award. But he may go down in sports memory as the most gallant, stand-up loser of his time. No golfer has had as many major championships ripped from his hands by miracle shots by journeymen players such as Larry Mize and Bob Tway. He's lost playoffs in all four majors. And now he's one for seven when leading after the third round in

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# Britain Sets a War Crimes Trial

## *Belarus Emigré, 85, Is Charged in Killing of Jews*

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

DORKING, England — An 85-year-old retired carpenter will stand trial on charges of murdering Jews during World War II, a magistrate ruled Monday in Britain's first Nazi war crimes case.

After a 22-day hearing during which 20 witnesses from several countries gave evidence, Magistrate Peter Badge ruled that there was enough evidence to try Szymon Serafimowicz on charges of killing three unidentified Jews in his native Belarus in the early 1940s.

Mr. Badge ordered Mr. Serafimowicz, who is free on bail at his home southwest of London, to appear at London's Old Bailey court May 10.

Mr. Serafimowicz, who entered Britain in 1947 and became a British subject, is the first person to be charged under the country's 1991 War Crimes Act. It authorizes the prosecution of alleged war criminals for crimes not committed on British soil. Unlike the United States, Britain will not extradite suspected war criminals.

Survivors say Mr. Serafimowicz, who was a district police commander during the German occupation in 1941 and 1942, was responsible for thousands of deaths. *(AP, Reuters)*

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| FF | 5.1335 | 5.1055 |


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# Clinton Will Propose 4-Nation Korea Talks

President Bill Clinton arrived Tuesday on Cheju Island, South Korea, for a meeting with President Kim Young Sam that U.S. officials said was expected to produce a new proposal for North-South peace talks.

U.S. officials said President Clinton and President Kim were preparing a proposal to involve four countries — the two Koreas, the United States and China — in talks aimed at reaching an agreement to formally end the Korean War.

On his one-week trip to Japan and Russia, Mr. Clinton also planned to use his brief Korean stopover to reassert the U.S. commitment to South Korea, administration officials said. (Page 7)

*The End of an Era?* / **Congress Party Faces Hard Election**

# *Gandhi's Widow Dashes an Indian Town's Hopes*

By John F. Burns
*New York Times Service*

AMETHI, India — Only a few months ago, when Rajiv Gandhi's widow traveled from New Delhi to address a throng on the grassy common behind the bazaar here, this dusty town bubbled with excitement. Now there is a deep sadness blowing in the hot spring winds, as though something has slipped away and can never be replaced.

On that August day, it did not matter that Sonia Gandhi had been born Italian, or that she spoke fractured Hindi, or that her name has been linked to a decade-old corruption scandal that tarnished her husband, the former prime minister, and could still destroy what remains of what was once India's ruling political dynasty.

All that mattered, amid shouts of "Sonia rule the country!" was that the most famous and elusive of the surviving Gandhis had returned.

The speech that day, featuring the first political utterances Mrs. Gandhi, 49, has ever made in public, lighted a blaze of hope in this out-of-the-way town that was never much of anything until it became the parliamentary seat for two sons of Indira Gandhi, India's prime minister for a total of 15 years until her assassination in 1984.

First Sanjay Gandhi, who was killed in a plane crash in 1980, then Rajiv Gandhi, who followed his brother as the local member of Parliament and his mother as prime minister, only to be assassinated in 1991, made Amethi one of the most favored towns in India.

But the promise of August has turned to bitter disappointment, not only for Amethi but also for millions of poor people in India for whom the Gandhis, with their populist politics and their links to India's struggle for freedom, became synonymous with hope.

After two years of hints and feints that have tantalized many Indians and infuriated others, Sonia Gandhi has decided — for the current general election at least, and many Indians think forever — not to take the plunge.

And many think that such a plunge might have been the only sure way the governing Congress Party — the party of the Gandhis, the party that led India to independence in 1947, and the party that shows signs of being in deeper trouble now with many ordinary Indians than at any time in its history — could hang on to power.

By resisting the siren calls of those who wanted her to contest the Amethi seat, or to have as the candidate her son, Rahul, 25, Mrs. Gandhi has taken a fateful step, for the Gandhi family as much as for the Congress Party.

What she has done, say many Indians who have watched her closely since a suicide bomber killed her husband during a campaign swing in the last election, is to lose or at least to jeopardize a position in which she has turned her widowhood into a font of virtually unchallengeable, if totally informal, power and protection for the Gandhis.

In Amethi, eyes glisten when the talks turns to "Soniaji," as Mrs. Gandhi is known. During her August trip, she challenged the competence of her husband's successor as Congress Party leader and as prime minister, P. V. Narasimha Rao, telling the crowd that India was beset by "a chaotic atmosphere" that had betrayed the Gandhis' political legacy.

Her remarks seemed to suggest that Amethi could look forward to once again having a Gandhi looking after its interests, re-opening plants and hospital wards and other benefits that flowed here until her husband's death.

"If Soniaji had run, or anybody from the Gandhi family, everything would have been different," said Mahendra Kumar Panday, 26, a student at a teacher's college named for Indira Gandhi, one of a score of buildings in the town named for family members.

WHAT he meant was that without a Gandhi, this seat in Uttar Pradesh state, once a bedrock seat for the Congress Party, is likely to be lost to an opposition party.

Since 1991, the Amethi seat has been held for the Congress Party by Satish Sharma, who was a pilot with Rajiv Gandhi at Indian Airlines, the government-owned domestic carrier.

Mr. Sharma, who has been oil minister in Mr. Rao's government, had said for months that he would step aside for Mrs. Gandhi up to the moment nominations closed for the election, which is to be held over three voting days from April 27 to May 7, with results to be announced about May 14.

According to friends, Mrs. Gandhi agonized over the decision, as she has since a group of politicians loyal to her husband first started pushing for her to reclaim control of the Congress Party from Mr. Rao, 74, who was a compromise choice after Mr. Gandhi was killed.

The relationship between Mrs. Gandhi and Mr. Rao has fascinated Indians from the moment that party elders, including Mr. Rao, reacted to Mr. Gandhi's killing by offering his widow the Congress Party presidency — a post twinned with that of prime minister since the 1960s.

Mrs. Gandhi refused, telling friends that her only concerns were seeing that her husband's memory was honored, and protecting her children, Rahul and a daughter, Priyanka, now 23 and a kindergarten teacher in New Delhi.

But Mrs. Gandhi soon found strains in her relations with her husband's successor. Her main grievance, friends say, was she believed that Mr. Rao had not done enough to speed the trial and conviction of Mr. Gandhi's killers, described by prosecutors as Tamil separatists from Sri Lanka, and that he had not punished officials responsible for removing Mr. Gandhi's government security guards after he was defeated in 1989.

As tensions increased, the relationship between Mr. Rao and Mrs. Gandhi became the critical axis of Indian politics. Because at least two-thirds of the Congress Party members of Parliament were supporters of Mr. Gandhi's, Mrs. Gandhi had the potential — or so most Indians, including Mr. Rao, seemed to believe — to unseat him as prime minister.

But Mr. Rao also held a sword of Damocles over Mrs. Gandhi, and a balance emerged. As prime minister, Mr. Rao has been in a position to speed, or delay, a process under which India has petitioned Swiss courts to release bank documents said to identify the recipients of $35 million in bribes paid to Indian politicians by the Swedish arms company Bofors in the mid-1980s.

According to investigative reports appearing over the years in Indian newspapers, Rajiv Gandhi was the principal beneficiary.

MRS. Gandhi has made no secret of her aversion to politics. The daughter of a Turin business family who met her husband when both were students in England in the 1960s, she is known among friends as a steely but shy woman whose passion for family has been reinforced by the violent deaths in the Gandhi family.

In a book memorializing her husband, she recalled how "angry and resentful" she was when Indira Gandhi pressed him to enter politics. "It would crush him and destroy him — of that I was certain," she said.

But as the fortunes of the Congress Party plummeted under Mr. Rao, pressures on Mrs. Gandhi mounted. Party dissidents made pilgrimages to her home, as did a plainly reluctant Mr. Rao. Mrs. Gandhi is said to have listened silently, rearranging bookshelves when she became impatient, but never revealing her hand.

Although she became an Indian citizen a decade ago, many Indians, including Mr. Rao in private, have warned that the country would never accept a foreign-born leader.

Early this month, Mrs. Gandhi made her choice. As nominations closed, she flew to Japan to keep a commitment for the foundation she runs in her husband's name, which is financed with millions of dollars in contributions from the Rao government and from Indian industrialists.

One friend said she was relieved, but fearful that if Mr. Rao wins against the current odds, he will use his renewed authority to expedite prosecutions in the Bofors scandal.

"She thinks he'll try to destroy her, and the legacy of the Gandhi family," the friend said.

*Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao prays, under the sidelong gaze of Sonia Gandhi at right, at a ceremony marking the anniversary of the 1991 assassination of Rajiv Gandhi. His Italian-born widow last August challenged the competence of Mr. Rao, her husband's successor as Congress Party leader and prime minister, saying that India was beset by 'a chaotic atmosphere' that had betrayed the Gandhi political legacy. But she dashed the hopes of Gandhi followers by abstaining from the current general election.*

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**COMING UP**
*Rising not far from the Kremlin on the banks of the Moscow River, a hulking, $300 million cathedral has become the latest and most colossal symbol of the rebirth of the Orthodox Church.*

# UN Oil Talks Give Baghdad Time to Lift Iraq Economy

By Douglas Jehl
*New York Times Service*

BAGHDAD — All of a sudden, Bala Abdullah Khalil can afford to heap rice on her children's plates in quantities she could not conceive of a few months ago.

Even meat and eggs are no longer out of the question; the Iraqi dinar is worth nearly five times what it was when the year began. And like the dinar itself, Mrs. Khalil's spirits have been buoyed by expectations that life in Iraq, a grim struggle after more than five years of UN sanctions, may soon get a little bit better.

"God willing, we will get to sell our oil," she said at the stand where she peddles dry goods on one of Baghdad's main streets, referring to a plan that could allow Iraq to begin selling large amounts of oil abroad for the first time since it invaded Kuwait in August 1990 and became an international pariah.

After weeks of talks in New York, Iraq and the United Nations could be approaching an agreement on the renewable plan, which would allow Iraq to sell $1 billion worth of oil every 90 days but strictly limit how the proceeds could be used. And already, the Iraqi government has capitalized on hopes for a breakthrough as part of a deft campaign that has put the country's sanctions-starved economy on firmer footing.

"What Iraq has given itself is the ability to take a deep breath," one Western diplomat said of the three-month effort, during which prices have plunged and goods have flooded to market. It is variously estimated to have replenished the Iraqi treasury with $300 million to $2 billion in precious hard currency.

But, unable to earn hard currency under the UN sanctions, which bar exports and all imports except food and medicine, Iraq remains deeply troubled. In the capital, ragged children and elderly women beg for handouts at intersections, and the World Health Organization said in a recent report that the sanctions have left most Iraqis with inadequate diets and have set back health care in the country by half a century.

Because Iraq rejected similar offers in the past, its abrupt turnabout in January that led to the talks on the plan for limited oil sales is seen by diplomats here as a sign of desperation. With the value of the dinar dropping to an all-time low of 3,000 to the dollar in December, they say the Iraqi government found itself particularly taxed by the mounting cost of the food it imports to provide people with a basic ration, with the bill projected to reach $2 billion this year.

Iraqi officials, including Hikmat Azawi, who took over in December as the country's finance minister, have publicly acknowledged the need to take what Mr. Azawi has called "quick and drastic steps." And while diplomats say the current surge is in many respects artificial, they also say that the measures Iraq has used have been very effective.

Iraq has started to release to the market its strategic stockpiles of flour, sugar and other foods, while transforming a field near an old Baghdad airport into a vast used-car lot as part of public commitment to sell one-fourth of all state property. Those steps have helped to drive prices down and set off a buying spree that diplomats say the government used to pull millions of dinars out of circulation, pushing the currency's value even higher.

### ■ Iraq Accuses Council Members

In an apparent reference to the United States and Britain, Iraq is accusing unspecified countries of seeking to block agreement in the oil-for-food talks with the UN as the two sides resumed negotiations Monday, The Associated Press reported from New York.

Iraq was expected to respond to what its chief negotiator said was a "revised version" of conditions the Security Council would accept for Baghdad to resume oil sales under strict international supervision.

In a telephone interview Sunday with Dow Jones News Service, the chief Iraqi negotiator, Abdul Amir Anbari, accused the UN of backing down on unspecified terms to which it had already agreed.

Mr. Anbari refused to say what issues were blocking an agreement.

# Bomb Threat Delays South African Hearings

*The Associated Press*

EAST LONDON, South Africa — A bomb threat disrupted historic hearings Monday aimed at digging up the secrets and healing the wounds of the killings, torture and disappearances of apartheid-era South Africa.

An hour after opening the hearings of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission with a prayer, Archbishop Desmond Tutu halted testimony and informed people in the packed auditorium that a bomb threat had been phoned in and that the police would conduct a security sweep.

"This is one of the kinds of things we will have to deal with," Archbishop Tutu said. "It makes all of us aware that there are some people who will stop at nothing to prevent this commission from doing its work."

Archbishop Tutu, who clearly regarded the threat as a hoax, noted that the police had thoroughly searched the building before the hearings. Most of the crowd eventually shifted to another room for drinks and food as two police dogs sniffed the chamber for bombs.

The police senior superintendent, Rene Hackart, said that the threats had been phoned to the police and to a newspaper. The callers appeared to be different people.

Archbishop Tutu told the police that he wanted a 24-hour guard on the building to ensure security: "Otherwise, we are going to keep allowing this to happen. I will not allow further interruptions."

The hearings and live television coverage resumed about 45 minutes after they stopped. Earlier, the Nobel Peace laureate led the 17-member panel in a prayer seeking "wisdom and guidance as it commences the important work of redressing the many wrongs done."

Seven witnesses were scheduled to testify Monday, mostly relatives of anti-apartheid activists who disappeared or were allegedly killed by the security forces.

Nohle Mohapi, a former secretary to the slain anti-apartheid hero Steve Biko, took the stand first. She testified about the death of her husband, Mapetla, whom the police had harassed for his leading role in a black students' organization.

The testimony coincided with the 20th anniversary of Mr. Mohapi's death in police custody. An official inquest at the time ruled he had hanged himself with a pair of jeans.

"I have never been happy during the past 20 years," said Mrs. Mohapi. "After I heard about these hearings, I wanted to come and give evidence to find out what happened to him, because he never killed himself."

Mrs. Mohapi testified calmly how she had been tortured, placed in solitary confinement and threatened with death by the police. Ironically, the state intelligence agency also tried to recruit her as an informer.

The governing African National Congress issued a statement urging all South Africans to support the commission. But the ANC's chief black rival, the Zulu nationalist Inkatha Freedom Party, announced a boycott.

The Inkatha leader, Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi, said the commission would not be impartial in uncovering facts of the ANC-Inkatha fighting in which thousands have been killed over the past decade.

President Nelson Mandela says the hearings are essential to the reconciliation he has preached since white-minority rule ended in 1994. Although politically motivated crime on both sides are to be examined, the focus will be on the old security forces.

# Gravesite Tampering Is a Mystery to NATO

*New York Times Service*

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Aerial photographs show that a field thought to be the grave of hundreds of Muslim civilians was not tampered with while NATO was responsible for monitoring the site, according to alliance officials.

Officials of the war crimes tribunal at The Hague have said that the earth at the field was disturbed and that bodies could have been removed. North Atlantic Treaty Organization officials did not deny the field may have been disturbed, but they insisted Sunday that any effort there by Bosnian Serb forces to hide evidence of atrocities did not occur on their watch.

## TRAVEL UPDATE

### Southwest Tops Quality Study

OMAHA, Nebraska (AP) — Southwest Airlines reclaimed the top spot for quality, with a higher percentage of on-time flights than eight other U.S. carriers, according to a study released Monday.

Southwest and American Airlines have traded first place for the past three years in the Airline Quality Survey, conducted by researchers at the University of Nebraska and Wichita State University and based on government data, including on-time performance, customer service, lost baggage and overbookings.

Southwest, which had an average on-time percentage of more than 80 percent for 1995, beat out, in order: American, United, Delta, America West, Northwest, USAir, TWA and Continental.

### Heathrow-City Rail Service

LONDON (AFP) — Virgin Group is planning to start a private rail service linking Heathrow airport to the City of London, a spokesman said Monday.

The line would offer half-hourly services from Moorgate station in the financial district to Heathrow, with a journey time of 30 minutes.

**Unseasonable snow and cold brought a rare white Easter to Orthodox Christians in the Balkans and briefly snarled traffic for weekend skiers coming home from the slopes to the north in the Czech Republic.** *(AP)*

**Four people have died from an outbreak of cholera in the Mkushi area of central Zambia, the Times of Zambia reported.** *(AFP)*

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## CAMPAIGN BASICS / Bob Dole

### The Race So Far

After a shaky start, Bob Dole's superior organization and mainstream message prevailed over Republican rivals. But though he clinched the nomination early, his support within the party appears fragile and conditional. Early primaries highlighted his strengths and weaknesses: He consistently outpolled his rivals among voters 65 and older, among wealthier voters and among those who favored a candidate with Washington experience. But Lamar Alexander did better among younger voters, Steve Forbes among voters who wanted tax reform and Patrick J. Buchanan, especially in early primaries, among self-described Christian conservatives and gun owners.

Against President Bill Clinton, he will try to portray himself as a man of experience, of hard-headed good sense but also compassion, of moderate-to-conservative views, able to effect needed change without rocking too many boats. Mr. Dole faces a tough fight against an often-maligned but still relatively popular president.

A Perot candidacy could hurt, though this is unclear. Age will be an issue: Though Mr. Dole has appeared vigorous and resilient on the campaign trail, voters will watch for signs of fatigue. His position as Senate majority leader could complicate his campaign, and few sitting senators have been elected president.

### History

Born on July 22, 1923, in Russell, Kansas. His father worked at a grain elevator and his mother sold sewing machines. For two years during the Depression the family had to rent out the main floor of its house, living in the basement. As a youth, Mr. Dole delivered milk, had a newspaper route and worked as a soda jerk. Tall and athletic, he was a popular local figure.

As a soldier in the closing days of World War II, he was nearly killed in the mountains of Italy by a German shell that fractured his neck and spine and shattered his right shoulder. He was shipped home, paralyzed from the neck down. Despite a series of operations, his right hand is permanently clenched, his arm bent. Eventually he was able to return to college, receiving a law degree from Washburn University in 1952, a year after he won a seat in the Kansas legislature. He was elected to the U.S. Congress in 1960, and to the Senate in 1968. He served as Republican National Committee chairman from 1971 to 1973. He was President Gerald R. Ford's running mate in a losing campaign in 1976. He has been Senate Republican leader since 1984. He unsuccessfully sought the Republican presidential nomination in 1980, when he received little support, and in 1988, when he came close to defeating George Bush. If elected president this year, he would be the oldest ever to take office.

He is a Methodist. His wife, Elizabeth, was secretary of labor under Mr. Bush, and now heads the American Red Cross. He has one daughter, Robin, from a previous marriage.

### Profile

Quintessential professional politician. Tough, tenacious, hard-working, skilled in the legislative process, personally and politically resilient. Has a combative, sardonic streak, but is respected for his skills at negotiation and compromise. A loyal party man, he fought Mr. Bush bitterly for the 1988 nomination, but then served him faithfully. Not a theorist or a visionary, but holds to certain principles. Does not delegate much. Often seems stiff; his rhetoric can be harsh, elliptical or fumbling; has trouble playing on a crowd's emotions, or building a speech to a climax. Has said he would be "another Ronald Reagan," if voters want it. Will try to use the age issue to his advantage: likes to say, "It's time for adult leadership."

### Trade & the Economy

Favors a seven-year balanced budget plan and a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution. Without embracing a flat tax, has called for tax cuts under a "flatter, fairer, simpler" system; is disdainful of supply-siders. Has given qualified support to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the North American Free Trade Agreement, but says they need to be re-examined. Supports legislation allowing the United States to withdraw from the World Trade Organization if U.S. rights are abridged. Would eliminate the Commerce Department.

### Military & Foreign Affairs

Has always backed a well-funded military and an assertive foreign policy, and has been scornful of Democrats who he felt were not sufficiently supportive of U.S. troops. Gave qualified support to Mr. Clinton's decision to send peacekeeping troops to Bosnia-Herzegovina, after having called for the arming of Bosnian Muslims. Would scale back U.S. participation in most United Nations peacekeeping operations.

On recent China-Taiwan tensions, he said, "I support sending a strong signal to China." On Cuba: "The only way to deal with Castro's tyranny is with real firmness and pressure."

### Education & Social Policy

Calls for a "modest, temporary reduction" in legal immigration. Supports a constitutional ban on abortion, except when the mother's life is in danger or in cases of rape or incest. Would require able-bodied welfare recipients to work, limit assistance to five years and insist that single teenage parents receiving assistance stay in school and live under adult supervision. Would end several affirmative action programs. Has called for making English the official U.S. language. Would eliminate the departments of Education, and Housing and Urban Development. Would also eliminate the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and the National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities. Has attacked Hollywood as a corrosive moral influence. Would allow people to carry concealed firearms that are legally registered.

### Energy & the Environment

Would eliminate the Energy Department. Would support limiting the number of natural habitats eligible to be designated as "endangered." Favors opening part of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska to oil exploration and drilling.

### Top lifetime contributors:

E. & J. Gallo Winery, $399,000.

MacAndrews & Forbes Holdings, industrial conglomerate, $282,500.

Koch Industries, oil and gas producer, $263,250.

Archer-Daniels-Midland, grain processor, $225,800.

American Citizens for Political Action, $192,580.

### Verbatim

"I think we're headed in the wrong direction in this country. I can see the breakdown of fundamental basic areas, values. I think there's an opportunity to rein in the government to make it more efficient. The government does a lot of good. But I think you just need to focus on reducing, eliminating some of the agencies; a fairer, flatter, simpler tax system; more money back to the people, less burdensome regulations."

"I think that working with Congress, I have a reputation — I think it would be verified by Democrats that I reach across the aisle. I don't leave people out in the cold, I bring people together."

On Bosnia: "I believe that the Congress has a responsibility to do more than posture and complain about the president's decision. If you're looking for a polarizer, don't vote for me."

Asked last year what he would do first if elected: "If I get elected at my age, you know, I'm not going anywhere. It's not an agenda. I'm just gonna serve my country."

### What Others Say

Don Galusha, 66, a retired farmer from Clinton, Iowa: "I like his honesty. He reaches the heart of America here."

Burdett Loomis, political science professor at the University of Kansas: "He is uncomfortable with this notion of vision. In that way, he is like Bush. They lived through the Depression, they fought the war and went on with their lives. And now, he's being asked for a vision. He probably senses a snare there. If you don't see a vision, to articulate one is kind of phony. And he's not a phony guy."

William Kristol, Republican commentator: "Dole's greatest risk is that people think he is Bush in '92 all over again — an older, establishment Republican without any vision."

*Compiled by Brian Knowlton. President Bill Clinton was profiled in April 12 editions.*

# U.S. Tightens Security as Bomb Date Nears

By Sam Howe Verhovek
*New York Times Service*

HOUSTON — Across Ohio recently, police chiefs and sheriffs received a letter from Ted A. Almay, superintendent of the state's Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation. The Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas, went up in flames on April 19, 1993, Mr. Almay reminded them, and the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City was blown up on the same date two years later.

Terrorists place "a great deal of emphasis" on that date because of what happened at Waco, the letter went on. "It is for this reason that we recommend an internal alert for any possible violence on April 19, 1996," it said. "We urge you to exercise all due caution."

In Chicago, the authorities plan to take a more specific step on April 19, which is Friday. The Cook County Sheriff's Office intends to search the criminal and civil court buildings with its canine unit on that day. And in Nebraska, extra officers are being stationed in state government buildings. "We are very aware of the date," a spokesman for the State Patrol said.

With the approach of the one-year anniversary of the explosion of homemade truck bomb that killed 168 people and wounded more than 400 others in Oklahoma, American law-enforcement officials are acknowledging that they are on an unusual alert for any signs of terrorist activity that day.

For the public at large, they offer a discordant mix of recommendations: Do not worry, treat the day like any other working day but do be aware of the date, keep an eye out and report any suspicious activity immediately.

The tightest security will be at federal buildings, though many of the measures that will be in effect there — more security officers, metal detectors, cameras, mandatory identification badges, concrete barriers and parking restrictions — are now everyday procedures.

Paradoxically, while the authorities say the measures have been taken to protect against anti-government zealots, some anti-government groups cite those steps as evidence of their theory that the federal government is increasingly bent on subjugating average Americans.

The new measures are the product of the nearly $110 million the federal government has spent on new security measures since President Bill Clinton ordered a review of security after the Oklahoma bombing. In the next 20 months, $174 million will be spent on added security, according to the General Services Administration, the agency in charge of the 8,200 federal buildings and sites around the country.

Technically, all federal buildings have been on a "medium-security alert" since the Oklahoma City bombing, the longest such alert ever. But federal officials acknowledge that Friday, and perhaps the few days around it, will be different.

"I can tell you that we have reinforced some of the procedures that we normally have with some additional things that obviously I can't go into," said Trinidad Martinez, director of the Southwest region of the Federal Protective Service, the law-enforcement branch of the General Services Administration. "We are definitely in a heightened state of awareness."

In Oklahoma City, some federal workers had sought to have all federal offices closed on Friday, and many are expected to take the day off. Officially, though, the buildings will be open, with most federal employees allowed to take the morning off to attend memorial services.

April 19 is memorable for many anti-government groups as the anniversary of the fire near Waco that ended a 51-day standoff and left 80 members of the Branch Davidian group dead. The authorities say Timothy McVeigh, a suspect in the Oklahoma City bombing, was enraged by the Branch Davidian deaths.

But it is very difficult to gauge just how great a threat to the public is likely on that date, or, for instance, the seriousness of rumors of a plan for a disruption of government computers then.

Few anti-government groups are predicting any violence on Friday or, if they are, they say it will come at the hands of the government, which they accuse of setting the Waco fire and orchestrating the bombing to stir public resentment of their groups.

Even as April 19 approaches, and even as they concede that they will be on heightened alert, many federal officials are reluctant to say that Friday will be all that different from any other day.

"April 19 is just another workday," said Jerry Springer, a special agent with the Chicago office of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. "Just another day at the office."

# Safety Gear Is Lacking In Air Force's Transport Jets

By Don Phillips and John Mintz
*Washington Post Service*

WASHINGTON — Most U.S. Air Force transport planes, including the jet that crashed in Croatia and killed Commerce Secretary Ronald H. Brown and 34 others, could not be flown by U.S. commercial airlines because they lack some safety equipment required by the Federal Aviation Administration.

In fact, air force VIP planes do not meet the requirements the Pentagon imposes on civilian aircraft it charters to carry troops and cargo. Had the Brown party's T-43A jet been civilian, it would have been rejected even for charter service to carry military rations.

Military aircraft, along with those owned by state and local governments, are considered "public use" aircraft and therefore are not subject to certain FAA requirements. The military has rejected all efforts since the FAA was created in 1957 to bring its transport aircraft under FAA scrutiny.

Officials of the air force said they do not update their aging fleet of VIP aircraft with every piece of new equipment because they do not have the money.

"We have to prioritize where we spend our dollars," said General Orin Godsey, safety chief for the air force.

If the air force installed all the new safety devices required by the FAA, "we wouldn't have money to spend for anything else," he said. "What's the air force's mission? It's not to be a civilian commercial airline. We have competing priorities, and the No. 1 priority is the wartime mission."

With the exception of Air Force One and one small business jet, the air force VIP fleet does not carry such FAA-mandated safety equipment as systems to warn of potential collisions in the air. And the air force is delaying installation of wind-shear detection systems and navigation equipment that uses a network of 24 U.S. military satellites to pinpoint a plane's position.

The air force's Special Airlift Mission fleet has an enviable safety record, which both military and private aviation specialists say is a tribute to air force pilots' training and the studious maintenance of the planes over decades of use.

Even critics of the air force acknowledge it runs a safe operation. But they say it makes them nervous that the service responsible for ferrying many of the nation's top officials chooses to ignore technology developed in response to civil aviation disasters, and that has proved itself by preventing others.

Donald D. Engen, a retired U.S. Navy admiral and aviator who was FAA administrator in the mid-1980s, said he finds it unsettling that the Pentagon is often in the forefront of developing new navigation and safety equipment, but sometimes fails to put it in its own aircraft.

"I really don't understand that," Mr. Engen said.

There are no indications so far that the plane carrying Mr. Brown — the military version of the widely used Boeing 737-200 — suffered any mechanical problems or that it was maintained improperly.

But the April 3 crash has dredged up a debate stretching back almost four decades about whether the air force passenger fleet should be held to the same safety standards as civilian aircraft, particularly in requirements for new equipment designed to warn pilots that they are on a possible collision course with another aircraft.

The T-43A that crashed near Dubrovnik would have been banned from military charters, and would not have met FAA standards, because it lacked a cockpit voice recorder and flight data recorder, and also because it had no collision-avoidance systems.

Most of the air force's VIP planes are based at Andrews Air Force Base in suburban Maryland and are equipped with the recorders. The Andrews fleet, also includes the two planes given the radio call sign of Air Force One when President Bill Clinton is aboard. They are equipped with every safety appliance available.

## POLITICAL NOTES

### The Bench: No Issue

WASHINGTON — Conservatives are hoping to use a ruling by a Clinton-appointed judge in a New York drug case to make the president's judicial appointments a key campaign issue. It is going to be a tough go. Even in the 1960s and '70s, when the judiciary was remaking the country, voters tended to see judicial appointments as a second-tier issue, at best.

It is going to be harder still to rev up interest in 1996. Unless a strange killer virus hits the federal bench, the judiciary could well remain mostly Republican even if Bill Clinton is re-elected.

That is because 57 percent of the nation's judges are Reagan-Bush appointees. While some may retire in the next four years, many of the vacancies Mr. Clinton would be likely to fill are Carter appointees, along with some Nixon and Ford picks.

Liberal Democrats complain that, while Mr. Clinton's selections are more liberal than Ronald Reagan's and George Bush's, they are more conservative than Jimmy Carter's, so the bench is hardly more liberal than three years ago.

Another problem in sparking interest in judicial appointments is that most of the 13 appeals courts, where interpretations of law tend to be developed, are firmly in Republican hands.

Even the grand prize — the Supreme Court — may not boost concern. The oldest of the nine members, John Paul Stevens, turns 76 this week. Justice Stevens, who comes in from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, when necessary to hear cases, may quit in the next few years. A Republican appointed by Gerald R. Ford, Justice Stevens is solidly on the left wing with Clintonites Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer, the only two Democratic appointees.

So replacing Justice Stevens nets Mr. Clinton virtually nothing. Although Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist works with constant back pain, he is only 71, a kid by high court standards. He is also a staunch Republican and unlikely to want to leave now. Another Republican, Sandra Day O'Connor, mentioned as a possible retiree because of her bout with breast cancer a few years ago, seems quite fit. *(WP)*

### What About Junkets?

WASHINGTON — Representative Don Young, an Alaska Republican, wants to know all about the National Heritage Tours made by Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt. Representative David M. McIntosh, Republican of Indiana, is focused on federal grants. And Representative Stephen Horn, Republican of California, is looking into travel by President Clinton's top appointees.

These investigations and many more are being conducted by letter, one of the weapons Congress uses to oversee agency operations. The letters ask for information, follow up on news reports or simply score election-year political points.

Since the start of the year, letters from Congress, now under Republican control, have increasingly stuffed the in boxes of the bureaucracy. The phenomenon is not new. Just as the Democrats did when they controlled Congress, Republican lawmakers are asking for documents, lists, indexes, briefing papers, e-mail, personal notes, calendars, schedules and photographs.

And just like Republicans who complained about the process when they were out of power, some Democrats are now enraged.

They argue that demands to produce documents are aimed less at oversight and more at harassing agencies pinched for cash. Republicans, echoing Democrats of yore, counter that they have a right to oversee taxpayers' money, especially as they try to set spending priorities, cut programs and balance the budget. *(WP)*

### Quote / Unquote

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher on Mr. Clinton's visit to South Korea, Japan and Russia: "The president will confront some of the oldest and newest challenges to the security of our nation, from the last unresolved problem of the Cold War — stability on the Korean Peninsula — to one of the most urgent new threats we face — nuclear smuggling." *(AP)*

### Away From Politics

- **A tornado struck three counties in northern Arkansas**, killing seven people as it ripped roofs off houses, uprooted trees and destroyed a mountain tourist campground, authorities said. At least 30 people were injured and two were missing. *(AP)*
- **Fatal traffic accidents increased by more than 17 percent** on California's most- traveled highways during the state's first 11 weeks of higher speed limits, an Associated Press review found. The limits were raised to 65 or 70 miles per hour, depending on the type of highway. *(AP)*
- **Equating a type of late-term abortion with outright infanticide**, Cardinal John O'Connor, the Roman Catholic archbishop of New York, sharply criticized President Bill Clinton's veto of a bill that would have outlawed the practice. In a sermon at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cardinal O'Connor said that the president's decision was merely the latest example of a moral misguidance rampant in the United States. He also cited recent court decisions approving physician-assisted suicide. *(NYT)*
- **Taxpayers scrambled Monday to meet the midnight deadline** for filing federal returns. The Internal Revenue Service estimates that about 36 million returns are filed in the two weeks before the deadline, or 30 percent of the total. It expects an additional 6.1 million taxpayers to ask for automatic extensions giving them four months, until Aug. 15, to file. *(AP)*

# High Court Refuses to Buy Dollar Bill Artist's Appeal

*The Associated Press*

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court on Monday rejected an appeal by the artist J.S.G. Boggs, embroiled in a dispute with the Secret Service over his color reproductions of U.S. currency.

The court, without comment, turned away Mr. Boggs's argument that the government's threat of prosecution is violating his freedom of expression.

Lower courts had thrown out Mr. Boggs's lawsuit against the Secret Service, the agency that enforces anti-counterfeiting laws.

Mr. Boggs's hallmark is the use of images of money in his art. He often reproduces actual-size but one-sided replicas of currency designed to be mistaken, momentarily, for actual money.

He then barters his "Boggs Bills" for goods and services.

"Boggs does not defraud anyone," his lawyers told the high court. "People who accept his work do so with the full knowledge that it is not genuine currency."

There is no evidence that anyone has complained to the government about being tricked by Mr. Boggs. But federal law makes it a crime to possess or produce any likeness of currency.


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## ASIA/PACIFIC

# In an Overture to ASEAN, China Offers a Blueprint for Accord

By Michael Richardson
*International Herald Tribune*

SINGAPORE — Seeking to draw closer to Southeast Asia and allay concerns about its sweeping territorial claims, China has asked countries in the region to join it in issuing a declaration of principles for maintaining good relations.

A joint declaration drafted by Beijing was recently sent to ASEAN, the Association of South East Asian Nations, and is being studied by its members.

Officials said Monday that the proposal appeared to be a significant goodwill gesture from China.

They added that the draft included a number of well-recognized principles of international relations, including noninterference in each other's internal affairs and peaceful settlement of disputes.

But analysts said that such principles were likely to be regarded as too vague by ASEAN, which wants assurances from Beijing that it will not take over any more disputed areas of the South China Sea unless there is an agreed settlement.

Four of the organization's seven members formally dispute China's claim over much of the South China Sea and its resources, including oil and gas.

Officials said that China had also asked the organization to give it the same status as the United States, Japan and a number of other countries that have been made "dialogue" partners by the group.

In an interview, Ajit Singh, ASEAN's secretary-general, said that Beijing's moves were "a gesture of goodwill" that reflected China's desire to work more closely with the organization.

He felt that the moves were also "a recognition of the important role ASEAN is starting to play on the world economic and political stage."

While China's foreign minister has been invited by his ASEAN counterparts to their annual meetings as a "consultative" partner since 1991, that is a level one rung lower than the status of "dialogue" partner given to the United States, Canada, Japan, South Korea, Australia, New Zealand, the European Union, the United Nations Development Program and, most recently, India.

Analysts said that this difference had not gone unnoticed in Beijing, which wanted to be put on a par with other countries and organizations that have close ties with ASEAN.

### Can Beijing restrain itself in the South China Sea?

The analysts said that the organization's foreign ministers, at their next meeting in Jakarta in July, were likely to approve China's formal request for dialogue status, provided Beijing takes no further action to enforce its sovereignty claims in the South China Sea.

The claim, centered on the Spratly Islands, is contested by four ASEAN countries: Brunei, Malaysia, the Philippines and Vietnam. The three other members of the group are Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand.

However, analysts said that the organization had reservations about China's draft joint declaration setting out principles for maintaining good relations partly because it made no reference to a 1992 ASEAN declaration on the South China Sea. In that document, the organization called on all claimants to the Spratlys to renounce the use of force in settling their disputes.

Early last year, however, China occupied Mischief Reef — a part of the Spratlys close to the Philippines that is claimed by Manila — and has refused to abandon the installations it built there.

China gained its first foothold in the Spratlys after a brief but bloody clash with Vietnam in 1988.

China's recent missile tests and war games close to Taiwan, which Beijing regards as a rebel province, rekindled concerns in Southeast Asia about Chinese readiness to use force or the threat of force in pursuit of territorial claims.

But Tang Jiaxuan, China's deputy minister of foreign affairs, said on a visit to Manila in March that Beijing was committed to finding a peaceful solution to its claim to the Spratly Islands and that the issue should not be compared to its stance on Taiwan.

Diplomats said Monday that to defuse the dispute, all claimants should agree not to take any action to occupy any contested land in the South China Sea until sovereignty issues were settled by negotiation.

But they also said that such restraint could become increasingly difficult to achieve as oil and gas exploration moved deeper into the South China Sea.

When Vietnam signed an offshore oil exploration and production deal with the U.S. company Conoco Inc. last Thursday, China immediately protested.

The areas awarded to Conoco by Hanoi are near the Spratlys and overlap zones awarded by China to another U.S. firm, Crestone Corp., in 1992.

# Taiwan Won't Halt Bid to Re-enter UN

## *Foreign Minister Defies Beijing*

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

TAIPEI — Defying China, Taiwan's foreign minister vowed Monday to continue the island's drive for re-entry into the United Nations.

Foreign Minister Fredrick Chien said his government would push the campaign for entry into the world body "with ever greater determination" because it had gained the support of most Taiwanese.

In testimony to a subcommittee of the Legislative Yuan, or Parliament, Mr. Chien said that the three-year campaign was designed to give the people of Taiwan equal rights in participating in international activities with their Chinese compatriots.

Acceptance to the United Nations would pave the way for future negotiations between Taiwan and China on eventual reunification, the foreign minister said.

China, which claims sovereignty over Taiwan, views the campaign as a covert effort to push for Taiwanese independence.

Tensions have eased between Taiwan and China since last month, when Beijing ended a nine-month campaign of intimidation, including menacing military exercises near Taiwanese waters.

But China has singled out Taiwan's bid for UN membership as an obstacle to resuming negotiations over trade and other matters, which Beijing suspended after tensions increased last June.

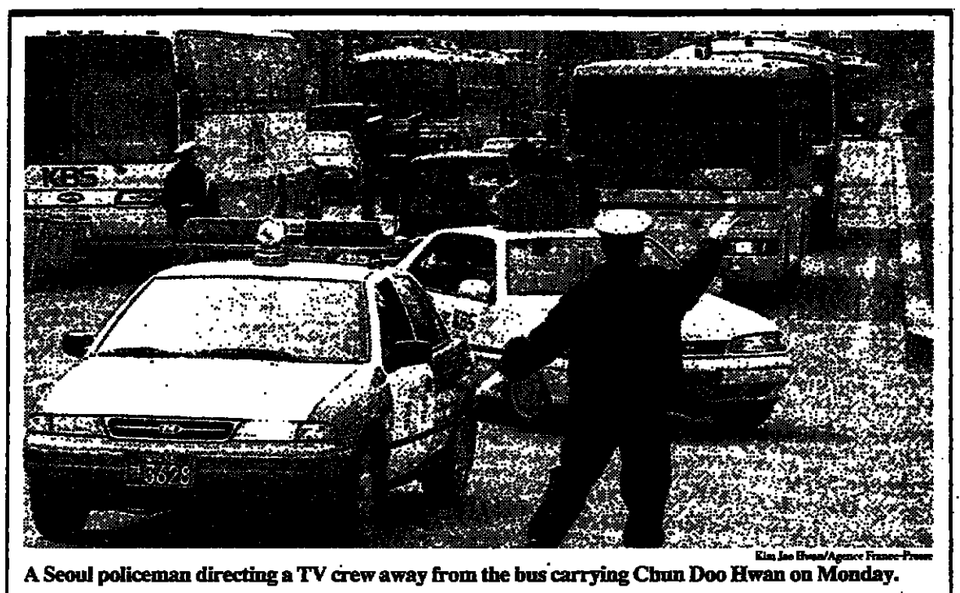
Mr. Chien also lashed out at the "minority Taiwanese" who have called for dropping the UN bid to avoid antagonizing the Chinese government.

Those individuals are "blind to Beijing's schemes" to isolate Taiwan diplomatically, he said.

Mr. Chien also said that recent overseas trips by Chinese leaders were aimed at promoting Beijing's "One China" policy and suppressing Taipei's bid for a higher international profile.

China has found that its previous intimidation of Taiwan was useless and changed its strategy to suppress the island by conducting high-level overseas visits, Mr. Chien told the subcommittee.

"Its aims are to promote its fallacy that 'One China' means 'Communist China' to international society, to suppress our pragmatic diplomacy and the development of our foreign activities," he said. *(AP, Reuters)*



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**A Seoul policeman directing a TV crew away from the bus carrying Chun Doo Hwan on Monday.**

# Shoot-Out in New Guinea Leaves at Least 14 Dead

*The Associated Press*

JAKARTA — An army lieutenant opened fire Monday in an airport hangar in New Guinea, starting a gun battle that killed at least 14 people and wounded 11, according to a military statement.

The lieutenant, whose name was not made public, was captured and was being returned to Jakarta, the statement said.

Few details were available and the reason for the shooting in the town of Timika was not clear. The violence, however, did not appear to be linked to two tense situations in New Guinea involving the military — a standoff with separatist rebels who are holding 11 hostages and violent protests at the huge Freeport Indonesia copper mine, which is owned by U.S. interests. The protests over environmental damage erupted into a riot last month that killed three.

The Legal Aid Institute, a human rights group, said the shooting appeared to be a fight between two Indonesian military units.

The lieutenant was escorting the bodies of two soldiers who were hacked to death by villagers who accused them of having raped two women, according to an airport official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

At the mine on Saturday, the U.S. owners, Freeport-McMoran Copper and Gold, tried to ease tensions by promising better environmental controls and offering $17 million for community projects.

## BRIEFLY ASIA

### *Indian Party Bars Liberalization*

NEW DELHI — India's leftist Janata Dal party attacked the Congress government's economic liberalization policies Monday, saying that it would restrict the entry of multinational corporations if it won the general elections next month.

The party said in its election manifesto that a Janata Dal-led government would resume a leading role in infrastructure development and extend job quotas to the private sector.

Janata Dal is leading a loose coalition of leftist parties into the election against Congress and the Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party.

None of the three is expected to win a majority in the 545-seat lower house of Parliament. The biggest eventual grouping is expected to try to form a coalition with one of the others or cobble together a government with regional parties. *(Reuters)*

### *Korean Admits Secret Fund*

SEOUL — Former President Chun Doo Hwan acknowledged Monday that he used a secret political fund to bankroll his successor's presidential campaign in 1987, but denied that the money came from bribes.

Mr. Chun's statement, during testimony in his corruption trial, appeared to confirm that incumbent presidents customarily have provided campaign funds for candidates from their own parties.

News reports suggested that by disclosing the practice, Mr. Chun was trying to pressure President Kim Young Sam to answer allegations that he also used such funds from his predecessor, Roh Tae Woo. *(AP)*

### VOICES From Asia

**Jaipal Reddy** on India's Janata Dal party platform: "We'll have a 'yes list' and a 'no list' for multinationals. We are not opposed to the entry of all multinationals. We'll just delineate areas where they can come." *(Reuters)*

***Li Peng***, prime minister of China, on the post-Cold War world: "After the end of the Cold War, there was peace. But if there is only one superpower in the world, a single nation that seeks to impose its will, the world will become more dangerous." *(Reuters)*


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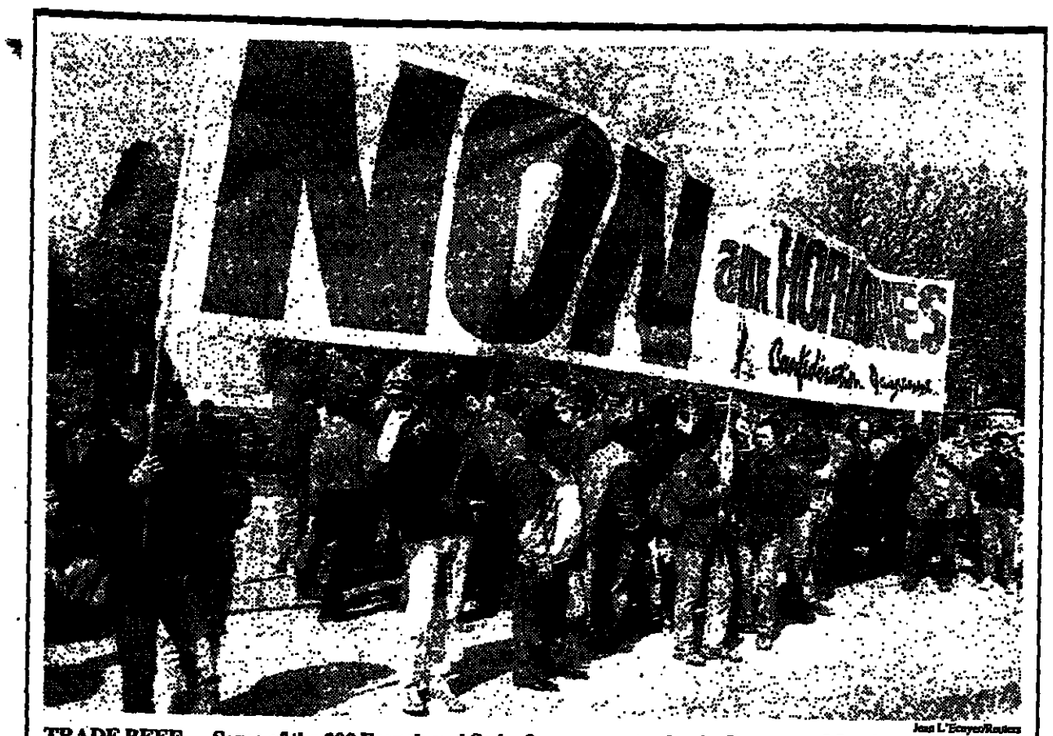


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**TRADE BEEF — Some of the 200 French and Swiss farmers protesting in Geneva on Monday at the World Trade Organization, where they demanded that the European Union ban on hormones in beef be upheld.**

# French Diplomacy Draws Fire

## Solo Bid for Lebanon Truce Is Seen as a Risk to EU

*Reuters*

BRUSSELS — France's decision to ignore its European Union partners and make a solo attempt to obtain a cease-fire in Lebanon is an empty gesture that could backfire and undermine the bloc's credibility, diplomats said Monday.

President Jacques Chirac of France ordered his foreign minister, Hervé de Charette, to Israel on Monday for meetings with Prime Minister Shimon Peres and Foreign Minister Ehud Barak.

Mr. de Charette is scheduled to visit Syria and Lebanon on Tuesday.

Mr. Chirac proclaimed support for Lebanon's sovereignty and independence on a visit to the region last week.

His move sidelined the Union's troika system of dealing with foreign policy through representatives of the bloc's immediate past, present and future presidencies — in this case Spain, Italy and Ireland.

"If Chirac had done this properly he would have called for a troika," a diplomat said.

"This will go down like a lead balloon, not because of any jealousies but because the French move is hollow," the diplomat added. "There is nothing in it."

The move also raised questions about France's avowed commitment to a European security and defense policy, although the French Foreign Ministry did say that Mr. de Charette had informed Foreign Minister Susanna Agnelli of Italy of his trip on Sunday night.

Under the leadership of the Spanish government in the second half of last year, the European Union made strides in building a coherent front and developing its relations with the Middle East.

Those strides culminated in the Barcelona Declaration on mutual cooperation in November, which arguably helped open the door to peace talks between Israel and Syria.

However, since then little has happened, with Spain still waiting to form a government after somewhat inconclusive national elections and Italy in the throes of an election campaign.

"Obviously the French have been frustrated by the ineffectiveness of the Italian presidency," a diplomat said.

"It takes the EU a long time to build a profile in a region, but having done so in the Middle East it has failed to follow up," the diplomat said.

"But the bottom line is that for their own reasons the French have taken the initiative.

"This will not be positive for the people of the Middle East and it could in fact hurt the EU," the diplomat added.

Even as Mr. de Charette headed for Lebanon, Mr. Peres said he was not ready to negotiate an end to rocket and artillery bombardment of Hezbollah fighters by Israeli forces.

"It is too early to negotiate," Mr. Peres told reporters when asked to list Israeli conditions for an end to the fighting, which began on Thursday.

Prime Minister Rafik Hariri of Lebanon said after talks with Mr. Chirac on Sunday night that he could not disarm Hezbollah or prevent it from resisting the Israeli occupation of southern Lebanon.

Mr. Hariri voiced fears that the fighting could continue until a general election in Israel on May 29. He asserted that the election had prompted the violence, endangering the Middle East peace process.

The European Union and other countries, including the United States, will have a chance to discuss the matter with Israel next Monday, when the 29 countries that attended the conference on combating terrorism last month at Sharm el Sheikh, in Egypt, gather in Luxembourg.

Mr. Peres said at Sharm el Sheikh that Tehran, which backs Hezbollah, had become the capital of world terrorism.

## BRIEFLY EUROPE

### Labor Urges Tory Defections

LONDON — The opposition Labor Party on Monday appealed to wavering Conservative politicians to follow their consciences and defect from the government of Prime Minister John Major.

Three Conservatives in Parliament have quit the party since October, one joining Labor, another the minority Liberal Democrats and one choosing to sit in Parliament as an independent.

Mr. Major has been shaken by a heavy by-election defeat that cut his parliamentary majority to one. Labor, after weekend newspaper reports that there were potential deserters, urged waverers to leave a party it said had lost its way after 17 years in power. *(Reuters)*

### Baltic Leaders to Press NATO

RIGA, Latvia — Baltic leaders will press the NATO secretary-general, Javier Solana Madariaga, who is on an East European tour, for entry into the alliance, diplomats said Monday.

The former Soviet states, independent since 1991, fear they will be excluded from NATO's plans to expand in Eastern Europe because of Russia's strong opposition.

Mr. Solana is expected in the Lithuanian capital of Vilnius on Tuesday for meetings with President Algirdas Brazauskas and other political leaders. He visits Estonia later Tuesday and Latvia on Wednesday. *(AFP)*

### EU Maintains Ban on U.K. Beef

BRUSSELS — The European Commission on Monday rejected an early lifting of a worldwide ban on British beef, saying Farm Commissioner Franz Fischler was waiting for more details of Britain's plans to eradicate "mad cow" disease.

Mr. Fischler "has made clear that the ban cannot be changed until there's a clear plan of eradication and control," Gerard Kiely, a spokesman, said.

Mr. Fischler said when the ban was imposed last month, after London had indicated the cow disease might be linked to the brain-wasting Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease in humans, that the action was necessary to prevent a collapse of the whole European beef market. *(Reuters)*

### Belgian Will Quit Parliament

BRUSSELS — Guy Coeme, the former Belgian defense minister, said Monday he would give up his seat in Parliament following his conviction in a fraud trial.

Mr. Coeme, also a former deputy prime minister, was found guilty last week of fraud and abuse of public office, given a two-year suspended jail sentence and ordered to repay sums received from the political research firm Inusop, which is at the heart of the scandal. *(Reuters)*

### Calendar

*European Union events scheduled for Tuesday:*

**VIENNA:** Commission President Jacques Santer meets President Thomas Klestil and Chancellor Franz Vranitzky of Austria as part of a tour of European capitals to discuss the Confidence Pact on unemployment

**STRASBOURG:** Edith Cresson, research and development commissioner; Martin Bangemann, the industry commissioner, and Neil Kinnock, the transport commissioner, meet European industrialists

**STRASBOURG:** The European Parliament session continues.

*Sources: Agence Europe, AFP*

# Düsseldorf Is Unsure On Opening Terminals

*Reuters*

DUSSELDORF — The authorities said Monday that they did not know when they would be able to reopen passenger terminals at Düsseldorf International Airport after a fire last week killed 16.

Administrators were hoping to open one of the airport's three terminals on Wednesday — Terminal C, furthest from the blaze — and recover about 50 percent of the airport's usual passenger load.

But a spokesman said it was still unclear if residues of the toxic gases that caused the deaths could be removed in time.

The police said two of the people hurt in the fire were still in critical condition.

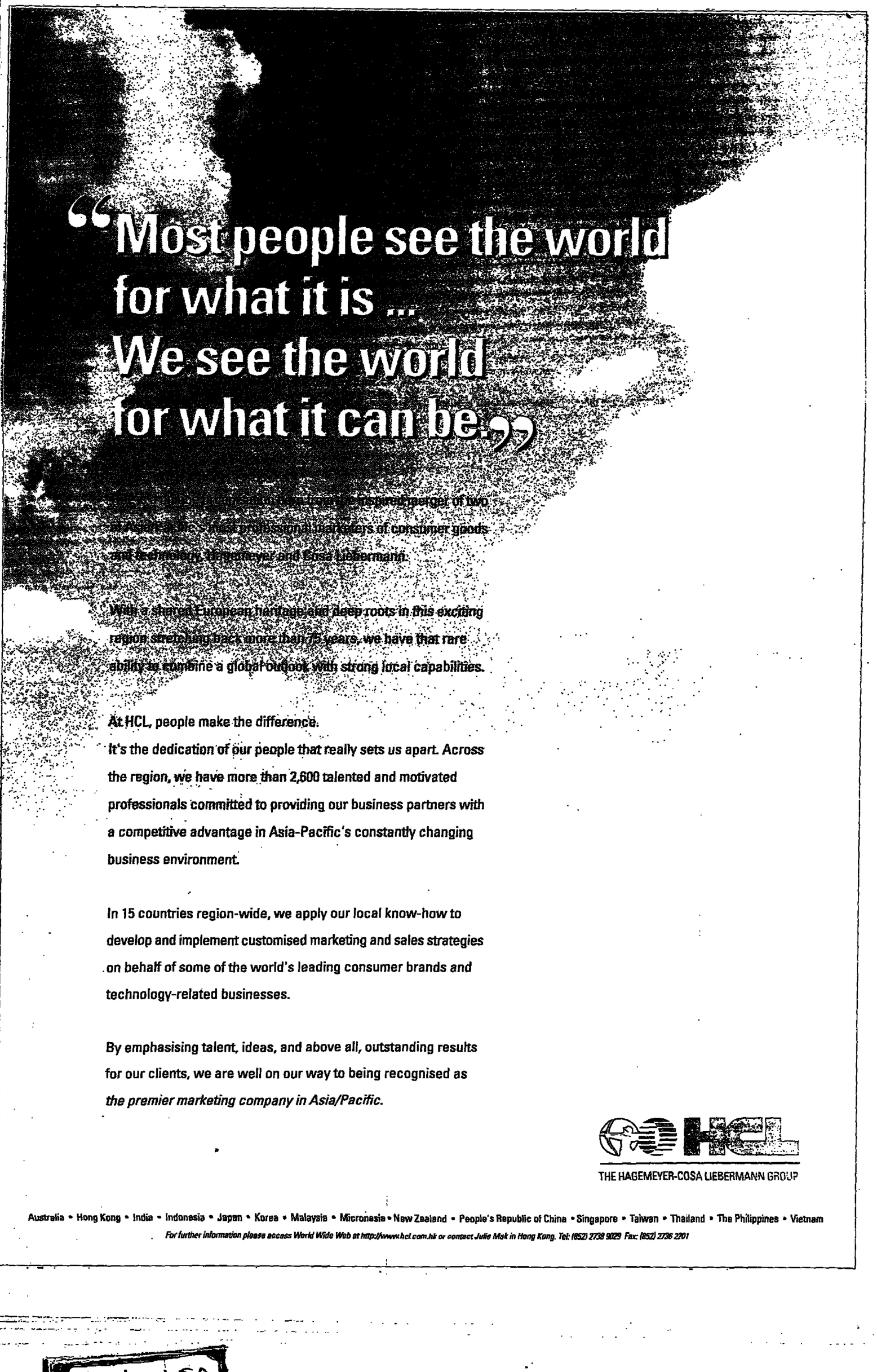
One, a 70-year-old German, was being treated for the effects of the toxic smoke. The other, a 48-year-old Frenchman, suffered severe head injuries in the crush.

Two German airlines — Lufthansa and the charter specialist LTU — began running a minimum service over the weekend, processing passengers through an old hangar.

Lufthansa planned 31 arrivals and 27 departures on Monday, about 30 percent of its usual volume, and LTU planned five arrivals and six departures. The airport normally handles 400 flights a day by some 20 airlines.

The bulk of diverted flights were being handled at Cologne/Bonn airport, about 50 kilometers (32 miles) to the south.

Airport authorities said every lost day of operations costs them around 1.5 million Deutsche marks ($1 million).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## INTERNATIONAL

# Russia's Communists Raise Fears of the Bad Old Days

By Michael Specter
*New York Times Service*

MOSCOW — At age 22, Galina Mardoyan has seen enough turmoil to last a lifetime. By the time she was done with high school, the Soviet Union had collapsed. As an Armenian living in Georgia she felt despised, so she moved to a resort on the Black Sea, where she hoped to live quietly with her grandmother.

She got there in 1992, just in time to watch thousands of her new neighbors in the once glorious vacation town of Sukhumi butcher each other in a savage civil war. She fled again, this time to Moscow, where she is a college student.

Now, the fear that has governed much of her life is back. Convinced that the Communist Party will win the presidential election in June and send this country reeling backward to a time when the freedoms she has come to rely on were prohibited, Miss Mardoyan is packing her bags again.

"People here talk about a Communist comeback as if it will be nothing much," she said, her black eyes filled with anger and anxiety. "They act like it's changing a bus or something. This will be a catastrophe for my generation. I warn my friends and ask them if they even know what happened here. They say nothing. But I know what happened here and it's not going to happen to me."

**'People here talk about a Communist comeback as if it will be nothing much. This will be a catastrophe.'**

Her fear of a Communist future may seem extreme, but it is not unusual, particularly in big cities like Moscow, where Communists who dominate the polls in rural areas are still deeply unpopular. From young artists who cannot conceive of living in a Russia without the right to express themselves, to retired people — even those who say they are going to vote for the Communists — apprehension has settled like a thick blanket over the country.

People here have learned through the hardest of experiences to be cynical. The century has taught Russians to expect the worst, so it is hard to know how serious people are when they give voice to their rising anxiety and hard to tell what they are really prepared to do about it. But those who may have the biggest reason to worry about a Communist return to power — intellectuals, those with strong ties to the West, entrepreneurs, and minorities — suddenly seem to have looked at a calendar and many have decided to act.

The demand for passports to travel abroad has never been higher. This past week, Vladimir V. Zhirinovsky, the ultranationalist, insisted that officials close Moscow's main international airport from May 1 to July 1, to stop, he said, "swindlers trying to escape with our money to the West." Like most of his demands, it was a stunt. But capital is flowing out of the country, and the minister of finance, Vladimir G. Panskov, said last week that foreign investment, already anemic, had essentially stopped while bankers waited to see what happens here.

Fearing the food shortages that were a hallmark of the Soviet era, poor people are planting potatoes on every inch of land they can find. Savings banks, eager to cash in on the sense of apocalypse, have established high-interest, three-month deposit programs, many of which expire only days before the June 16th election.

"Of course we have a dollar account in the bank," said Igor Aleksayev, who with his wife, Irina, makes a living playing the violin. "We don't have much but we put it in the 'Spring Deposit Plan.' The interest comes to us in June. On June 12, to be exact. And that is when we will take it all out. No need to wait and see what happens."

A senior official at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has just returned from a long assignment abroad. His daughter remains in college overseas. Asked what she was going to do when she graduated in May, he laughed darkly and replied: "She is going to sit in her room and wait for the elections to be over."

Even many people who do support the Communists and their leader, Gennadi A. Zyuganov, often out of nostalgia for an era that they now perceive as having been more stable and less costly, seem ambivalent about communism.

"People just sat around through the elections in December and thought the worst will not happen," said Vladimir Averchev, a reformist member of Parliament in the Yabloko faction, referring to the parliamentary election last year when Communists and nationalists performed even better than expected.

"Now everyone who is opposed to the Communists is waking up to find that they may have a new world to face in a few months," he said, noting that he does not believe they will win.

"Well," he concluded, "I just think its about time people got serious about this thing."

# In Liberia, Looting Hits New High as Chiefs Protest

By Jonathan C. Randal
*Washington Post Service*

MONROVIA, Liberia — Liberia's two most powerful militia leaders Monday came together to criticize the wholesale looting now well into its second week in the Liberian capital and warned that culprits would be "shot on sight" starting at nightfall.

The afternoon meeting between Charles G. Taylor and Alhaji Kromah took place in Freeport, the sprawling dock, warehouse and industrial area just across the Mesurado river from Monrovia proper. The area is Liberia's last remaining source of unlooted riches.

Whether gratuitous or planned, their meeting and message reflected their dawning realization that 10 days of nonstop looting in the city center and diplomatic quarter has caused damage far beyond the millions of dollars incurred largely by the local Lebanese business community.

The United States, West European countries and private humanitarian relief agencies are in no mood to resume aid to Liberia unless Mr. Taylor, Mr. Kromah and their allies on the transitional Council of State at the very least demonstrate they can control their frenzied youthful followers bent on booty.

But judging by the evidence on the ground, neither Mr. Taylor, who heads the National Patriotic Front of Liberia, nor Mr. Kromah, leader of the mainstream United Liberation Movement-K, have succeeded in bringing the situation under control.

Demonstrating the gaping discrepancy between proclaimed intentions and reality were various vehicles in Mr. Taylor's unruly motorcade of bodyguards armed with everything from assault rifles to four-barrelled Russian anti-aircraft guns.

One vehicle still bore the insignia of Doctors Without Borders, the French medical organization that, along with other major United Nations and nongovernmental aid agencies, ceased operations after their offices and depots were looted. Someone, apparently without intended irony, had crudely painted its side panel, "Operation to Provide Hope."

Another car was so loaded down with booty that a heavy package wrapped in blue plastic fell off the open tailgate and nearly set off a gun battle between avid young men manning a checkpoint.

The package was among the last loot in downtown Monrovia, where roving bands of armed young men have picked stores clean of everything from whiskey and tennis rackets to computers and photographic film.

Broken locks, smashed windows, burned out stores, gaping doors and an occasional corpse bloating in the hot sun bore testimony to the leaders' inability to crack down on the soldiers they recruited in the bush.

So intense was the rivalry among looters that gun battles raged most of the day along Randall Street, a major commercial thoroughfare.

It was impossible to tell whether the shooting came from followers of Mr. Kromah and Mr. Taylor, from others without formal militia affiliation or from members of the predominantly Nigerian West African peacekeeping force called ECOMOG, intent on restoring order.

"It's a block-by-block turf war for loot," a Western diplomat said.

"These boys have been in the bush for much of the more than six-year-old war," a European observer remarked, "waiting for the trophy, Monrovia, which for years was protected by ECOMOG." He added: "Monrovia was full of cars and computers, all the good things of this world."

# New Book on Holocaust Is Assailed in Germany

## *Its Theory of Broad Guilt Is Disputed*

*Reuters*

BONN — "Hitler's Willing Executioners," a new book that attempts to explain the German slaughter of the Jews during World War II, has been denounced by German critics, who reject it as a starkly one-sided study of the Holocaust.

Scathing reviews of the book, by a Harvard assistant professor, Daniel Jonah Goldhagen, are appearing daily in the country's leading newspapers after the first excerpts were published in German last week.

The Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung and Der Spiegel joined the chorus on Monday.

They dismissed the book's main argument that pre-Hitler Germany was a society "pregnant with murder" and just waiting to kill all the Jews in its midst.

"We don't dispute the horrors," Der Spiegel's publisher, Rudolf Augstein, wrote. But to say that all Germans wanted to kill Jews was "at best ignorant, if not in fact malicious," he continued.

Josef Joffe of the Süddeutsche Zeitung asked: "If history poisoned all Germans to be a people of eliminationist anti-Semites, why aren't they that way today — and forever?" Some reviewers hinted that the book could harm German-American relations by stirring up a deeply negative view of Germany in the United States. But all agreed that the controversy showed Germany was still haunted by the wartime slaughter of six million Jews, even if last year's 50th anniversary of the end of World War II suggested that the issue was slowly retreating into history.

Mr. Goldhagen argues that German anti-Semitism was uniquely bloodthirsty and that millions of ordinary Germans eagerly took part in or supported the Holocaust.

His book portrays the virulence of anti-Jewish hatred and the horrors of pogroms led by the police.

The son of a Holocaust survivor, Mr. Goldhagen, 36, says the book is a pioneering work because it disproves theories that the Holocaust was the work of sadistic Nazis or frightened Germans simply carrying out orders from above.

The German reviewers, all historians and well-known commentators, say the book rehashes discredited theories about the Nazi era and has little original research behind it.

Most historians long ago discarded postwar views about inherently evil Germans, the reviewers said, concentrating instead on the tragic effect that racist ideology had on a society that had been weakened by hyperinflation, depression, a wartime defeat and political radicalization.

"Goldhagen's book has little to do with scholarship and proof," wrote Frank Schirrmacher, cultural editor of the Frankfurter Allgemeine. "Goldhagen is making a myth out of the Holocaust. If you believe the book's thesis, the Germans' path into the 21st century can only be viewed with skepticism and fear."

The wave of unusually prompt and hostile reviews faulted Mr. Goldhagen for not comparing Nazi genocide to more recent cases of mass murder in Cambodia, Rwanda or Bosnia and for not studying the motivations of the Poles, Ukrainians and others who helped the Germans slaughter the Jews.

Several reviewers wondered why such a sweeping indictment of the Germans was attracting attention in the United States.

"Maybe this reflects an unease many Americans have about a reunited Germany," Volker Ullrich said in the weekly Die Zeit.

"If you want to get heard in the fierce media market of the '90s, you need gaudy theories," Norbert Frei wrote in dismissing the book as a media event.

Mr. Schirrmacher bemoaned in the Frankfurter Allgemeine the fact that what he called an academic study with such shortcomings could arouse attention in the United States.

"Goldhagen's book leaves questions unanswered, including one about the intellectual condition of a society that considers such theories to be intellectual progress," he wrote.

Sergei Supinsky/Agence France-Presse

**PLEASE PUT A KARBOVANETS IN THE OLD MAN'S HAT — A Ukrainian veteran of World War II hoping to collect money outside Vladimir Cathedral in Kiev during the celebration of the Orthodox Easter.**

# *Munich Court Throws Out Suit By Athletes' Kin*

*Reuters*

MUNICH — Five relatives of Israeli athletes killed by Palestinian guerrillas at the 1972 Munich Olympics on Monday lost their effort to secure damages from German authorities whom they accuse of bungling a rescue attempt.

A court here declared the suits to have been withdrawn after the relatives failed to post bonds to ensure that their legal costs would be covered.

The same court in October threw out a claim for damages by 22 other relatives of the 11 athletes killed by the Black September group, ruling that the cases were already covered by a 1973 compensation agreement.

Those cases are being appealed. Two other cases will be heard May 6.

The suits, with claims totaling 40 million marks ($27 million), have all been directed against the German national government, the Bavarian state and Munich city authorities.

The Black September gunmen killed two athletes and took nine others hostage as they broke into Israeli team quarters at the Olympics in an attack intended to draw attention to their campaign against the Jewish state.

Police mounted a rescue attempt at Fürstenfeldbruck airport outside Munich after the gunmen and hostages were taken there by helicopter. But all nine captives died in the shoot-out, along with five Palestinians and a policeman.

# *Italy's Voters Face Scare Tactics*

## Final Week Before Voting Is Off to Tumultuous Start

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

ROME — The final week of Italy's election campaign opened Monday in a flurry of ideology and insults as the two main political blocs battled in a contest that could leave the country in turmoil.

With little to distinguish their policies, the center-right and center-left alliances turned to scare tactics to try to lure millions of undecided voters in Sunday's general election, Italy's third in four years.

Silvio Berlusconi, a former prime minister who is leading the center-right Freedom Alliance, beat the Cold War drum with an attack during the weekend on the rival Olive Tree bloc and its main force, the former Communist Party, now known as the Democratic Party of the Left.

Mr. Berlusconi's rhetorical question whether Italy would ever have a truly free election again if the center-left won was denounced as electoral terrorism by his rival for the prime ministry, Romano Prodi.

It also worried Mr. Berlusconi's chief ally, Gianfranco Fini, whose hard-right National Alliance Party still has to shed all its associations with the legacy of fascism in Italy.

Leo Valiani, a pro-Olive Tree life senator, said fascist methods could return if the center-right won and the National Alliance, as many opinion polls indicate, took a large share of the vote.

He called Mr. Fini's conversion to democracy credible but said that his followers were still diehard fascists. "For 50 years they have claimed loyalty to fascism and its most ferocious period, the time when it was allied and subservient to Nazi Germany," Mr. Valiani told the newspaper Corriere della Sera.

The Radical Party, meanwhile, has rejoined the Freedom Alliance following intense negotiations, it said Monday.

The accord will ensure that the Radical Party wins the 4 percent necessary to obtain seats in Parliament.

Led by Marco Pannella, the Radical Party split from the Freedom Alliance a month ago, charging that the center-right grouping was becoming a "Catholic force in the typical tradition" of Italy.

The conflict centered on the sharing of voting districts among the various components of the Freedom Alliance, which groups Mr. Berlusconi's Forza Italia, the National Alliance and two Christian Democratic parties.

The election, three years ahead of schedule, was called after parties in the outgoing Parliament failed to agree on a broad-based government with a mandate to reform Italy's democratic system.

It follows four years of turbulence unleashed by the corruption scandals that sank the old governing class and coincides with growing disillusionment with the parties and politicians.

A mixed voting system of direct election and proportional representation introduced at the last general election in 1994 is widely perceived as incapable of creating stable government.

Both blocs have pointed out that they could win a majority in one house of Parliament but not the other — a result that would put a cabinet's fate in the hands of minor parties. *(Reuters, AFP)*

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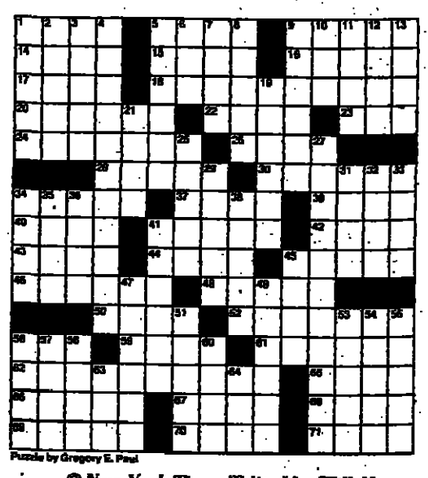

Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

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# OPINION/LETTERS

## On Dying in America: A Quiet Revolution

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

WASHINGTON — Thanks to two court decisions, the people of the United States are hurtling down a road they did not choose and have grave doubts about pursuing. The decisions, by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on the West Coast and the 2d Circuit on the East Coast, abruptly struck down laws prohibiting doctor-assisted suicide.

It all happened without a full national debate, without any consultation of patients or doctors. These judges decided there ought not be a national dialogue on what is one of the most difficult ethical, moral and practical decisions confronting modern medicine. They were sure they knew better than the rest of us.

What needs to be recognized is that this is not some small legal step. These decisions, if kept in force, will revolutionize the way we Americans think about dying. They will hugely increase the pressures on the very ill to agree to kill themselves, utterly transform the relationship between doctors and patients and create gaping loopholes for abuse.

It is especially chilling that these decisions come up as the country is moving rapidly into managed-care health plans where all the incentives are to cut costs. What easier way to cut costs than to create subtle pressures on patients to kill themselves? Of course there is no managed-care plan out there that would ever do such a thing consciously — one hopes so, anyway. But as medical care for the very ill becomes more and more expensive, it is naive to pretend that such pressures will never arise.

That is why those who call themselves liberal should not rush to the cause of assisted suicide just because the battle flag of "a liberty interest" has been raised. One of the most badly needed protections in America's increasingly complicated health system is to insulate individuals from bureaucratic pressures when they make the hardest decisions of their lives.

Many doctors vigorously oppose assisted suicide precisely because they want their own missions to remain clear and unequivocal. The American Medical Association worries that assisted suicide is "fundamentally incompatible with the physician's role as healer and care-giver." Medicine is, as the medical ethicist Leon Kass put it, "an inherently ethical activity." The doctors we admire most are those who keep their ethical obligations in the forefront. We ought not transform their ethical role without debating what such a change would mean. This choice cannot be thrust upon us, of a sudden, by courts claiming higher ethical wisdom.

The confusion created when judges decide this issue by fiat is illustrated by the fact that the two courts reached their decisions for entirely different constitutional reasons. The 2d Circuit judges

***Assisted suicide is not an issue for judges to settle.***

said laws against assisted suicide violated the 14th Amendment's equal protection clause, since the law permits one class of people to end their lives by withdrawing treatment but requires another class to stay alive because it denies them suicide.

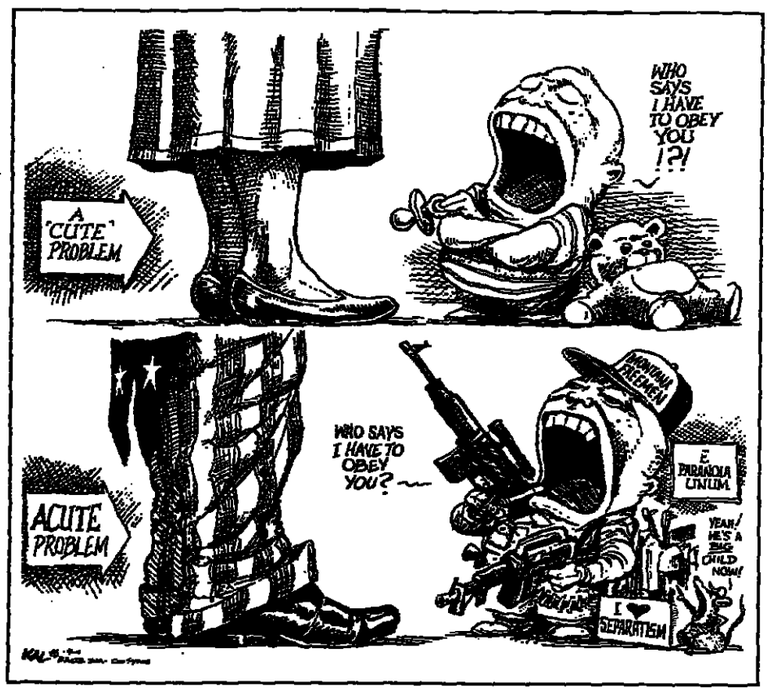
This gives the concept of "equal protection" a chilling twist. It is a terrible leap to declare that withdrawing support is exactly the same as helping a patient commit suicide. In the first case, we are acknowledging that great medical advances permit us to trump nature and keep people alive long after they would otherwise have died. In the second, we are taking active measures to kill people. Surely this is not a line we should erase casually.

The 9th Circuit, on the other hand, relies on the liberty protections of the 14th Amendment. "At the heart of liberty is the right to define one's concept of existence, of meaning, of the universe and of the mystery of human life," wrote Judge Stephen Reinhardt. Well, sure. But what is at stake here is the relationship of the individual to the medical system. What needs arguing is whether liberty will actually be enhanced by giving doctors — and hospitals and HMOs — new powers over life and death.

One cannot escape the suspicion that we have here an outcome in search of a rationale. The goal is to legalize assisted suicide and the judges rummage around for constitutional language to justify the goal.

This is no easy issue. Modern medicine can keep people alive far longer now than in the past. It's fair to debate if more people may now suffer more pain in the last stages of life, and what that should mean for the practice of medicine. But the courts should not decide this for us.

*The Washington Post.*




## Escaping China and Shipwreck, Caged Birds Sing a Prison Song

By Bob Herbert

NEW YORK — Nearly three years ago, in the pre-dawn darkness of June 6, 1993, a tramp steamer called the Golden Venture ran aground in the rough surf off the Rockaway Peninsula in Queens.

The rusting, 150-foot freighter was loaded with

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nearly 300 illegal Chinese immigrants who had agreed to pay up to $30,000 each to be smuggled into the United States. Panic set in when the ship ran aground. Terrified immigrants began plunging into the frigid water, desperately trying to avoid arrest by swimming what seemed like the final yards to a long-held dream of freedom.

Ten people drowned. More than 250 were arrested. A handful made it to shore and escaped, ragged and soaking wet, into the limitless sanctuary of New York.

On the second floor of 70 Mulberry St. in Chinatown is a small facility known as the Museum of Chinese in the Americas. One of its current exhibitions is "Fly to Freedom: The Art of the Golden Venture Refugees."

Most of the men and women who were arrested when the ship ran aground are still incarcerated, awaiting adjudication of their requests for asylum, which are being processed at a tortuously slow rate. They are being held at various detention centers around the country. Many of the men were sent to the York County Jail in York, Pennsylvania. It is their works of art, elaborate paper constructions initially created to alleviate boredom and to provide tokens of gratitude for attorneys working pro bono on their behalf, that are on display at the museum.

These are not ordinary artworks. They are dreamlike expressions of extreme social and cultural isolation painstakingly fashioned from objects commonly available to inmates. As the museum's executive director, Winston Dong, explained, that means toilet paper, towel threads, magazines, writing paper, pencils, pens and magic markers.

The theme throughout is freedom. Some of the detainees have said they fled China because they were being persecuted for participating in pro-democracy demonstrations. Others said they had been denied religious freedom because they were Christian. Some said they had violated China's one-child-per-couple family planning policy, and were afraid they would be involuntarily sterilized and perhaps imprisoned. Some, no doubt, were economic refugees.

The United States is still the finish line in the race for opportunities of every kind.

No one who boarded the Golden Venture ever imagined that he or she would spend nearly three years in the maddening confines of an American jail cell. At York, the men did the best they could with the endless hours. They began to tear small pieces of paper and fold them into various shapes. They worked and reworked the paper into simple figures, pineapples, for example, and then more complex figures, like eagles, which they called "freedom birds."

The pastime caught on. The men were not allowed sharp objects like knives or forks. They used magazine inserts and plastic spoons to help shape their constructions. Eventually they were entrusted with glue and children's scissors. They worked a dozen hours a day or more, creating ever more complex and symbolic works.

Visitors to the museum will see birdcages with freedom birds trapped inside, and a Statue of Liberty made from toilet paper, cardboard and magic marker, and a cheerful foot-and-a-half-high model of the Golden Venture, which in reality was a decrepit vessel with little in the way of rations and just one toilet for some 300 people.

The plight of the Golden Venture refugees led to the creation of a support group in the city of York called the People of the Golden Vision. It is an odd alliance. Many, if not most, of the members of the support group are politically conservative. They might be expected to be deaf to the pleas of illegal immigrants.

But the complaints of the Golden Venture refugees center on issues that resonate with American conservatives — forced abortions to limit the size of Chinese families, the crackdown that followed the Tiananmen Square uprising, the harassment of Chinese Christians.

A few of the refugees have been granted asylum. Some have given up and returned to China. Those who are still imprisoned, the majority, have become increasingly discouraged, even despondent. Depressed, the men in the York County Jail have stopped making their paper constructions.

*The New York Times.*

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### A Federal Europe

*Regarding "Federal Solutions Are Unworkable in Today's Real Europe" (Opinion, March 27) by Peter Smithers:*

Sir Peter argues that a politically united Europe can never come about because Europe is too diverse, but in doing so he betrays all the insular prejudices of the British political class, and bases his arguments on some fundamental misapprehensions.

A "gigantic bureaucracy in Brussels"? The European Commission numbers in fact 14,000, fewer than the employees of Rotterdam town hall. Arrogating to itself "power to control the daily life of citizens throughout Europe"? The European Commission proposes, but it is the council of ministers from the member states that decides. Differences in social and economic structure? Did the differences between Prussia and Bavaria prevent the unification of Germany? Ask a Bavarian about the tyranny of a superstate directed from Bonn and he will burst out laughing and ask when John Major will give Scotland the same degree of autonomy enjoyed by Bavaria.

The sad thing is that the British political class has never wanted to believe what has been happening in Europe because this ruins the centuries-old British policy of divide and rule. Events will prove the British wrong, as they have done since 1945.

ROY DENMAN.
London.

Sir Peter's article makes me think back to the negotiations in the 1950s on the creation of a European Community. The British government, having shown a certain interest, took part at a later stage. When it discovered what the negotiators were after, the British delegate said: "We shall not join, but you will not succeed."

They joined, of course, 20 years later.

RUDOLPH SIMONS COHEN.
Brussels.

### The Balkans

*Regarding "Milosevic Could Yet Meet the Fate He Deserves" (Opinion, March 29) by William Pfaff:*

Mr. Pfaff argues that Serbia remains "in essential structures" a democracy. However, the only evidence he includes to support his claim is that elections are conducted and there is a Parliament.

Voting is only one illustration of democratic organization and it is far from the most obvious indicator of actual representation. Many of those occupying seats in Serbia's Parliament are there as a result of coercive measures that removed voices of opposition in 1990 and 1991. The fact that the institution of Parliament exists says little about the manner in which it functions.

Mr. Pfaff ignores other measures of democracy that are surely much more important. For example, one can question the extent to which there is truly an independent judiciary in Serbia. The attempt to prosecute declared war criminals in Serbia-Montenegro revealed that the judiciary is still very much an instrument of Slobodan Milosevic's demagoguery. Those tried were simply President Milosevic's adversaries, who were to be purged through legal means.

Mr. Pfaff is correct to note, however, that Serbian voters do share some responsibility for what Mr. Milosevic has done in their name.

BRAD K. BLITZ.
Brussels.

*Regarding "Help the Bosnia Parties to Make Dayton Work" (Opinion, April 3) by Carl Bildt:*

As a Bosnian, I used to believe that old, multiethnic Bosnia could be restored. With that belief, many of my relatives, neighbors and friends died as combatants or innocent civilians. In either case, they and I believed that the rest of Europe and Carl Bildt's "civilized world" would extend its full support to those ready to sacrifice themselves for that noble task.

The adequate help never came. In fact, new obstacles were created, notably the arms embargo. In any case, the Western governments did not seem to care much about multiethnic Bosnia, then or now.

Then the Dayton agreement was signed, dividing the country along ethnic lines and awarding the perpetrators of war a territory from which their constituency can vote them into power.

I am not talking only of big culprits such as Radovan Karadzic, Ratko Mladic and Slobodan Milosevic, but of lower-ranking officials in the Bosnian Serb statelet as well.

To divide a country by forcing the underdog to accept a plan that legitimizes genocide, to refuse to guard sites of mass graves, let alone apprehend war criminals who walk about freely, and then say that the vision of Dayton is "a common, multiethnic Bosnian state" is an insult to both my sense of morality and intelligence.

ASIM ZUBCEVIC.
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Style

# Russomania and the French Connection

By Katherine Knorr
*International Herald Tribune*

PARIS — It sometimes seems that the essential Russian condition is exile. Russians fled tyranny (or were expelled) and religious oppression, they fled intellectual boredom and social provincialism. Aristocrats and artists often went to France, bringing with them the ornate and rutilant art of Russia, notably in the form of theatrical costumes, and its expansive and opulent manners.

During the 19th century, there were many aristocratic marriages between Russians and French; Paris had its great Russian salons, and the accompanying assortment of writers, painters and, not least, spies. Despite the great chasm between Western societies and Russia, the fashion and art of the West are inseparable from the influences of St. Petersburg. Russomania swept France more than once.

How curiously tenderhearted could be that Russomania — in spite of the Napoléonic wars — can be seen in a jewel of an exhibition at the Musée Carnavalet, the Paris historical museum, with input from the Tretyakov Gallery in Moscow. It starts with the occupation of Paris by the cossacks of Alexander I, who himself entered the city with the king of Prussia on March 31, 1814.

French and Russian artists portrayed the Russians bivouacking on the Champs-Elysées (a little wood not far from what is now the Place de la Concorde) and the bearded giants in their colorful uniforms visiting the ladies at the Palais Royal. Other works, both whimsical and uplifting, show the Russians reluctantly saying good-bye. In one, a soldier rides a crayfish, which of course moves backward.

And so here is a Franco-Russian slice of the century through clothes, fads, souvenirs (from "imperial" soaps to commemorative fans) and caricatures (good-natured, except during the Crimean War), as well as portraits and scenes of Parisian life, mostly frivolous — interestingly described by Brigitte de Montclos in the catalogue.

"We are quite fashionable here," Victor de Balabine, the secretary to the Russian Embassy from 1842 to 1852, wrote in his diary, "and the Russians today, the French say, are the English of 1830." At the same time travel books and the fiction of the Comtesse de Ségur (née Rostopchine), for example, made muzhiks — particularly their clothes, which in Madame de Ségur's "Général Dourakine" are called blue bathrobes with red belts — fashionable, semi-mythical characters.

After the Napoléonic defeat, French pleasure gardens, already renowned for fireworks and music, were taken over by the *montagnes russes* craze. By 1818, there were at least seven of these early roller-coasters (people in small carts were hurled down a long curving slide into a pool) in and around Paris, from Rue Saint Lazare to Belleville.

Saucy engravings show ladies rushing down the slopes trying to hold down their dresses ("An Indiscreet Zephyr, or the Charms of the Montagnes Russes"), or simply landing unceremoniously on their behinds.

Under the Second Empire, Russian women were an important part of the fashionable brouhaha around the Empress Eugénie, who was painted so flatteringly by Winterhalter — among them Madame de Ségur's daughter Nathalie; Sophie Troubetskoï, who became Duchesse de Morny, and Varvara Rimsky-Korsakov, who came to the Tuileries ball in 1866 rather scantily dressed as Flaubert's Salammbô.

Musée d'Orsay (Rimsky-Korsakov); Christophe Walter, Ville de Paris (plate, prints)

*Clockwise from top left, Madame Rimsky-Korsakov, by Winterhalter; souvenir plate from 1894; Vera Sudeikin-Stravinsky; color print of a Russian man and Parisian woman, and a sketch by Sergei Sudeikin.*

THE love and suspicion between the Russians and the French is curiously rendered in the highly moral and sometimes sadistic children's stories of Madame de Ségur (her father was governor of Moscow when it burned in 1812). She defends religious tolerance — she was a convert to Catholicism — condemns Russian attitudes toward Poles and the pervasive climate in Russia of police spying and denunciation, and praises the way the French refrain from flogging their servants.

Indeed, one of the things the Russians borrowed from the French was a taste for freedom. A number of the Decembrists — who plotted against Nicholas I in 1825 — had been in France in 1814 and 1815, and those who were lucky enough to be beyond the vengeful reach of the czar — like Nicholas Turgenev, who was in England — mostly finished their lives in France.

This amusing exhibition, which also looks at how Russian painters portrayed Paris life, and at the building of the Church of Saint Alexander Nevsky on what is now Rue Daru, ends with the French-Russian celebrations surrounding the visit in 1896 of Nicholas and Alexandra, who laid the first stone for the Pont Alexandre III.

There is a photograph of Nicholas leaving the Louvre, with that unmistakable pale, bearded face, as well as a lot of ashtrays and other nice-looking junk that was sold at the time of the imperial visit. History marched on with combat boots.

In the run-up to the Revolution, the Russian condition was for many an extended flight into exile across that vast country that drew together artists and revolutionaries who stopped here and there, forming temporary colonies and salons.

Behind more than a few great artists there is a muse, and that is the way Vera Stravinsky is remembered. A muse sounds like a celestial creature, but the work is pretty down to earth, a lot of standing by your man and developing a professional frivolity that some women and notably the great salon hostesses have turned into social genius. By all accounts this handsome woman possessed just that.

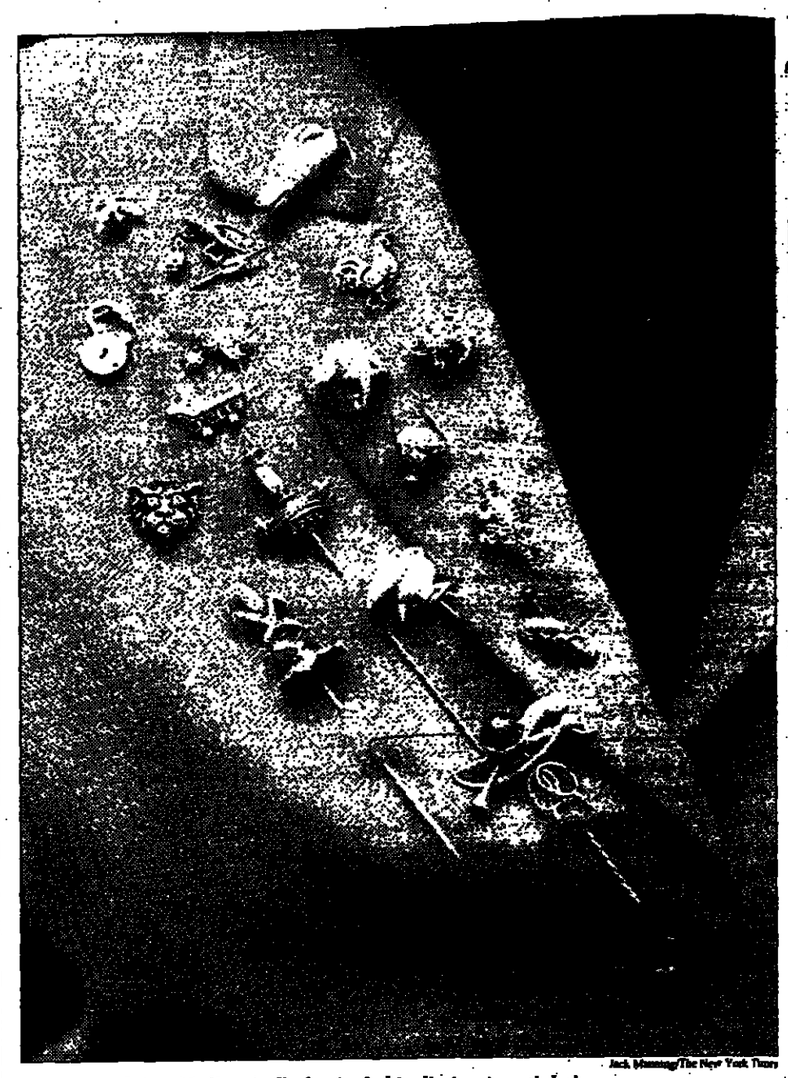
The beautifully illustrated "The Salon Album of Vera Sudeikin-Stravinsky" (Princeton University Press), edited and translated by John E. Bowlt, is a collection of colorful drawings, portraits, poems and ephemera. These were written and drawn by famous and forgotten people, Futurists and Symbolists in her scrapbook, in the various places of exile where she lived with the artist and stage costume designer Sergei Sudeikin (her third husband), from Petrograd to Paris before and after the Revolution.

Much of what is represented here is rather slight artistically, but that is what makes a scrapbook — of-the-moment jottings of talented people — and it figures as liner notes to the cabaret culture of Petrograd, Tbilisi and Baku (with links to the circus and to folk theater), and as a footnote to Russian Modernism.

Sudeikin's 1921 watercolor representing the Firebird figures as a personal turning point. In February of that year, Vera met Igor Stravinsky. That was the beginning of a long affair and the end of her life with Sudeikin, who emigrated to the United States where he worked among other things on sets and costumes for the Met. In 1940, Vera married Stravinsky.

Much earlier, in one of her notebooks, she had written what she called the "Duties of an Artist's Wife":

1. Force the artist to work, even with a stick.
2. Love his work no less than him.
3. Welcome every burst of creative energy. Kindle him with new ideas.
4. Keep the main works and the drawings, sketches, and caricatures in order. Know each work, its scheme and meaning.
5. Relate to new works as if they were surprise gifts.
6. Know how to look at a painting for hours on end.
7. Be physically perfect and, therefore, his model forever.



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*Forget neckties, Hollywood's latest fad is distinctive stickpins.*

# The Stickpin Parade

By Christopher Mason
*New York Times Service*

NEW YORK — The tiny but telling chieftain's sword stickpin sported by Mel Gibson as he accepted his Oscars for "Braveheart" was one detail the cleavage-doting fashion press somehow neglected to pinpoint that night. But Gibson's accessory may well be part of an intriguing sartorial trend.

What also went unreported was the parade of stickpins worn on lapels by the rest of Tinseltown's elite, who donned necktie-free, black-on-black, jacket-and-tie ensembles that currently pass for formal chic on the West Coast. "Stickpins are fantastically popular at the moment with industry people who want something that refers to the project they're working on," said Deidre Wheaton, a spokeswoman for Maxfields, the Hollywood store.

Why stickpins? Janet Mavec, the owner of an antique jewelry store in New York, where an exhibition of nearly 250 jeweled and carved pins opened on Thursday, says they have become a discreet status symbol of the 1990s. "They're understated, personal and intricate," said Mavec, who spent the last six years pulling her collection together.

But their subtlety does not suit every taste. "If you own and cherish some enormous diamond ring, the chances are you'll probably wear that instead," she conceded. What are so appealing about these pins are their intensely personal implications. What was the original significance, one wonders, of an open platinum padlock? (Perhaps a jubilant celebration of a long-awaited divorce?) Whose birth was heralded by a Victorian diamante stork with bundle? (Some 19th-century Richie Rich?) Whose international enterprise is celebrated by a dangling globe?

CURIOUSLY, the first known stickpins were worn by trend-setting 17th-century Croatian mercenaries fighting in the Thirty Years War for the king of France. The pins kept their precursor cravats in place, thus hiding their seldom laundered shirts.

How fitting, then, that many of those now in the vanguard of stickpin chic are among the tie-free brigade engaged in the mighty battle for the box-office buck.

Valerie Steele, a lecturer at the Fashion Institute of Technology and the author of "Fetish," a book about the sexual implications of clothing, speaks of stickpins with reverence. "The idea of glittering, precious jewels on a pin that pierces the fabric of your clothing is very erotic in a Freudian sense," she said.

The rarest ones can cost $300 to $5,500. But it requires a discerning eye and good luck to find ones that are interesting or appealing.

# Unlocking Marilyn's Trunk

*Agence France-Presse*

LOS ANGELES — A trunk belonging to Marilyn Monroe and won by an Indiana man in a sweepstakes contest contained a purse, playing cards and a book about president Abraham Lincoln.

The contents of the trunk were packed when the actress was moving out of the Connecticut home that she shared with her husband, playwright Arthur Miller, in 1961, a year before she died.

The contents were not revealed until the winner of the sweepstakes was announced and actress Zsa Zsa Gabor, who starred with Monroe in "We're Not Married," was on hand when it was opened.

Inside were a Brownie camera, sunglasses, a deck of playing cards, magazines and newspapers with stories about Monroe, a book about Lincoln and a black-beaded purse. "This is really a precious item right now. It's beautiful," Gabor said when she saw the purse.

The trunk was kept by a confidante of the actress for more than three decades, until it was obtained by the cable network American Movie Classics, which ran the contest.

## BOOKS

**BRAVING THE ELEMENTS:**
**The Stormy History of American Weather**

*By David Laskin. 241 pages. $23.95. Doubleday.*

Reviewed by Alex Heard

YOU'RE thinking it, so admit it: the sweeping saga of weather? That sounds like something Cliff Clavin, the archetypal windbag on "Cheers," would read by flashlight under his bedsheets.

And granted, this book of historical essays about American weather — as it has played out in our lives, literature, folklore and science — does contain fun facts. (Did you know, for example, that the word "forecast" was first used in 1889? ) But overall, David Laskin has pulled off an amazing feat. He's rendered his tale not just unboring but fascinating, putting together a densely researched, fast-moving chronology that takes readers from Paleolithic concepts about natural phenomena to the computer-powered info-crunching performed by today's National Weather Service.

A Seattle-based nonfiction writer, Laskin approaches his subject with an infectious energy. The United States, he writes, is a weather buff's paradise, a country "blessed and cursed with the most and greatest variety" of extreme conditions on Earth, seeing in a normal year hurricanes, blizzardsand the world's most numerous and destructive tornadoes. "I am awed by the weather. Its beauty. Its power. Its infinite variability."

What Laskin is after, though, isn't another compilation of fan-boy data about cumulonimbus stacks. Instead he's interested in how the weather, and our perceptions of it, have shaped our history. As he points out, the first Americans were able to come here from Asia thanks to weather: namely, the long deep freeze of the last ice age. As the advancing icecap grew and locked up ocean water, sea levels dropped sufficiently during two long glacial periods to form the Beringia land ass, making it possible for Homo sapiens to hoof it across the Bering Strait and eventually spread throughout North and South America.

Less convincing is Laskin's contention that European exploration of the New World might have been spurred by the so-called "Little Ice Age," a downturn of continental temperatures that occurred between 1430 and 1850. "The people had become restless on their cramped, cloudy, snowbound continent," he argues. "The edgy music of change was in the air. New trade routes. New science. New wealth. New World. Could it have been that the meteorological swings of the Little Ice Age drove European mariners literally to the ends of the earth?" Could be, but "new wealth" is probably more like it, since the whole thing started with Henry the Navigator in sunny Portugal. The great explorers quivered over imagined riches, not because they needed an extra pair of long johns.

Laskin resumes speed with chapters on the colonial, revolutionary and western-expansion periods. For pre-Enlightenment New Englanders, he explains, fierce weather held a special terror, for they believed it was the product of an angry God. "Weather, in its unpredictability, fickleness, and occasional majestic violence," Laskin writes, "was a perfect symbol of the Divine Will." He illustrates this "theological meteorology" with an account of a lightning storm that blew apart a church steeple in New London, Connecticut, prompting the pastor to deliver a sermon with the unforgettable title "God Sometimes Answers His People by Terrible Things in Righteousness: A Discourse Occasioned by that Awful Thunder-Clap Which Struck the Meeting-House in N. London, August 31st 1735."

Laskin is at his most convincing when he argues that the Weather Service, no stranger to criticism, more than earns its keep. Not only do its usually accurate forecasts help save millions of dollars and hundreds of lives, they also give Willard Scott something to jabber about besides granny birthdays.

*Alex Heard, an editor at Outside magazine, wrote this for The Washington Post.*

**WHAT THEY'RE READING**

• **Nathalie Piquart**, senior editor at Nathan Editions, is reading *"Alexis ou le traité du vain combat"* by Marguerite Yourcenar.

"Yourcenar's mastery of the French language never ceases to amaze me; each word is carefully weighed and contributes to the melodic character of the sentence."

*(Charlotte Sector, IHT)*

## CHESS

By Robert Byrne

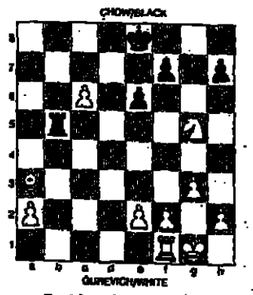
DMITRI Gurevich beat Albert Chow in the Mid-America Tournament.

After 8...d6, Black has put in place what is called the Hedgehog Formation: no pawns beyond the third rank, yet defying the opponent to capitalize on spatial superiority. Meanwhile, White has recaptured with 8 Qd4 rather than allow simplification with 8 Nd4 Bg2 9 Kg2 Qc8 10 Qd3 Nc6 11 Nc6 QC6.

The attack with 10 Nb5 is meant to provoke 10...d5 when 11 cd Bd5 12 Qf4 O-O 13 Bb2 a6 14 Nc3 gives White an advantage in spade.

Chow fought away from that with the tactical 10...Ne4 and Gurevich punched out a sharp gambit with 11 Qg7!? Bf6 12 Qh6 Ba1 13 Ng5! One point was that 13...Ng5? would be mowed down by 14 Nd6 K e7 15 Nb7 Qf8 16 Ba3 Nc5 17 Qg5 Bf6 18 Qe3.

On 13...Ndc5, Gurevich said, "14 Rd1 is probably better than 14 b4." If Chow had then played 14...Be5, there would have been a transposition into a Korchnoi-A. Greenfeld game, Beer-Sheva 1990, which Korchnoi analyzed to a win after 15 Ne4! For example, 15...Ne4 16 Be4 Be4 17 f4 Qf6 18 fe Qh6 19




Position after 28... Ke8

Nd6 Ke7 20 Bh6 Bg6 21 Bg5 Kf8 22 Bf6 leaves Black defenseless against the looming advance of b4 and c5.

After the exchanges at Move 15 to 19, Gurevich did, indeed, enjoy the advantage of bishop and two pawns for a rook, but after 19...Rab8 20 Bc6 his queen bishop was awkwardly placed at a3. Gurevich thought that Chow could have held the position, if he had gotten his king rook into play with 20...Rhd8. But Chow missed the chance.

Despite the simplification that Chow achieved, his king and king rook were still hemmed in after 26...Ke8. After 27 Rd1!, it would have been a blunder to seize the knight with 27...Rg5?, which permits 28 c7! With 27...Nd5, Chow stopped the threat of 28 c7, but after 28 Ne4!, he could not cope with the threat of 29 Nd6 by 28...Rb6 because of 29 Nd6 Kf8 30 Nc4.

After 28...Ra5 29 Bb2! Rf8 30 Bg7! f5, Gurevich put the finishing touches on with 31 Nd6 Ke7 32 Bf8 Kf8 33 Rd5! Rd5 34 c7 Rd1 35 Kg2 Rc1 36 c8/Q Rc8 37 Nc8, winning a piece. Chow gave up.

ENGLISH OPENING

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| 2 Nc3 | Nf6 | 20 Rc5 | Bd8 |
| 3 g3 | g6 | 21 c6 | bc |
| 4 Bg2 | Bg7 | 22 bc | Rb5 |
| 5 Nf3 | Nc6 | 23 Rb7 | Rb2 |
| 6 0-0 | Rb1 | 24 Nb5 | Nb7 |
| 7 d4 | cd | 25 Ba3 | Rb5 |
| 8 Qd4 | Bd7 | 26 c6 | Ra5 |
| 9 b3 | Nb4 | 27 Rd1 | Nd6 |
| 10 Nb5 | Nb4 | 28 Ne4 | Ra5 |
| 11 Qe3 | Bd3 | 29 Bb2 | f5 |
| 12 Qb6 | Bc2 | 30 Rd7 | f5 |
| 13 Ng5 | Nd5 | 31 Nd6 | Ke7 |
| 14 b4 | Qd6 | 32 Bf8 | Kf8 |
| 15 Qb3 | Nb6 | 33 Rd5 | Rd5 |
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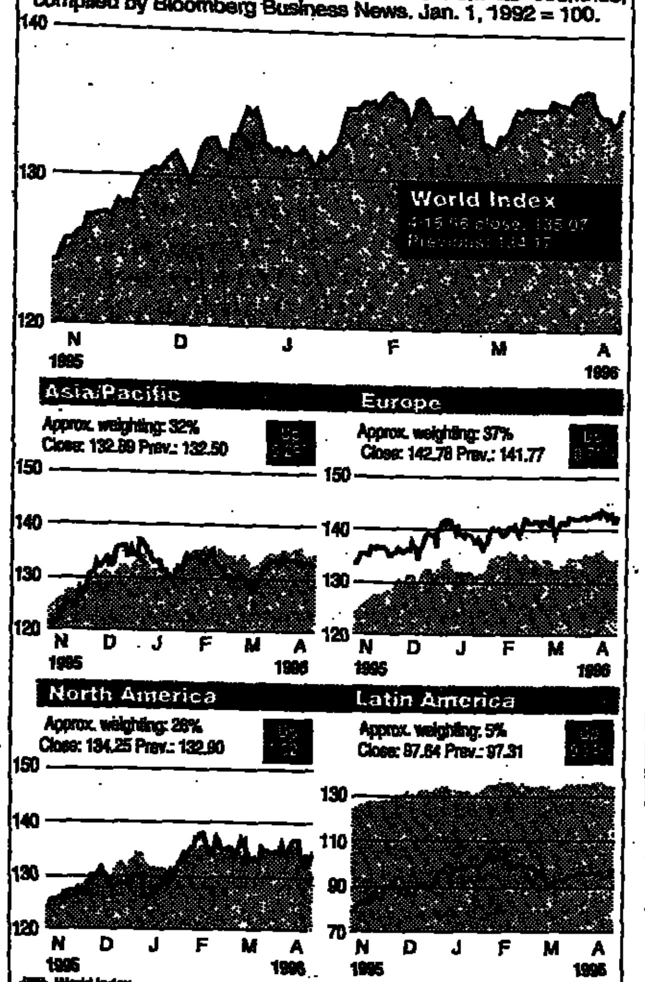


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# Arab World Looks to the Skies

## Satellite TV Finds Warm Welcome in Region

By John Tagliabue
*New York Times Service*

CAIRO — Karim Abdallah, who was working as an executive at Cable News Network during the Gulf War, remembers vividly the thirst of the Arab world for the kind of minute-by-minute news coverage that CNN provided during that conflict.

He remembers, too, how eagerly local broadcasters in Egypt and Bahrain agreed, when given the chance in the early days of the war, to pass the network's satellite feed to their viewers.

The lesson was not lost on some influential Saudi businessmen interested both in an investment opportunity and in gaining some control over the distribution of information and entertainment to 300 million Arabic-speakers across the Middle East and North Africa.

"This triggered people's interest in the power of satellite television," Mr. Abdallah said. Over the last five years, three privately owned satellite broadcasting companies have begun targeting people around the world who speak Arabic.

Borne aloft by several billion dollars of Saudi investments, together they are transmitting 26 channels, mostly to the Middle East and North Africa but also to Europe and the United States.

So it was hardly surprising that, at the same time CNN's ghostly images of aerial bombs or exploding Scud missiles were appearing on television sets in Cairo, a group of investors led by a Saudi businessman named Walid Ibrahim — a brother-in-law of King Fahd — was starting the Middle Eastern Broadcasting Center, or MBC.

Using Arabsat satellites operated by a consortium of Arab state television companies, MBC started broadcasting news, sports and entertainment from London in 1991.

Eventually, Arabic-language broadcasts could reach 16 million households with television sets in the Middle East and 10 million more in North Africa.

In the process they are beginning to provide a homogenous — and decidedly secular — cultural experience in a region most known for cultural and political divisions.

Just as Muslim fundamentalism, with its deep distrust of foreign and secular influences, is challenging governments across the region, satellite television is opening it up to the rest of the world. In 1993, Arab Radio & Television, or ART, began broadcasting in Arabic and English from its headquarters in Fucino, in central Italy. It has added two channels a year since then, with offerings including films, children's shows and sports programs. Mr. Abdallah left CNN to become ART's executive vice president.

In 1994, another Italy-based station, Orbit Satellite Television & Radio Network, began transmitting 19 television channels to the Middle East. Two are Arabic-language channels; the rest use English or French.

These private satellite businesses, along with government-owned satellite broadcasting systems already running or being readied in a number of countries including Egypt, Jordan, Qatar and Saudi Arabia, are developing in tandem. Sometimes they work together — Orbit carries Jordan's state-run service — but more often they are engaging in lively competition.

"The next five years will bring very tough competition," said Mustafa Karkouti, an executive at MBC in London. The Saudi-

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# Sweden Takes Aim At Deficit With New Round of Cuts

By Erik Ipsen
*International Herald Tribune*

LONDON — Sweden's government announced a fresh round of initiatives on Monday in its struggle to bring its budget into balance by 1998.

At the same time, however, officials slashed their forecasts for economic growth, imperiling the government's recent pledge to cut unemployment in half by the end of the decade.

"We would not be able to meet our budget goals without extra measures," said Erik Aasbrink, Sweden's new finance minister, in introducing steps that would bring permanent cuts in the government's deficit of 8 billion kronor ($1.19 billion) over the next two years.

Those measures, with roughly two-thirds to come from spending cuts and a third from new taxes, now bring the total cuts in the deficit to 126 billion kronor.

The markets widely hailed the new steps as Stockholm's SX-16 stock index rose 23.56 points, to 2,012.20.

In spite of the warm response, however, many economists expressed doubts about the costs of the government's planned five-year drive to balance its books and about its latest installment in particular.

"The budget now looks in reasonably good shape," said Tomas Pousette, an economist at Nordbanken. "But if you are concerned about the economy's long-term growth, I think that you would have had a different wish list."

Many economists say the government has so far relied too much on raising already-exceptionally high tax levels as a means to cut its deficit. Those new taxes, they argue, are taking steam out of a flagging economy.

"Sweden is still left with the government overspending and overtaxing," said Ulf Jacobsson, director of the Industrial Institute of Social and Economic Research. Public-sector spending still accounts for nearly 60 percent of Sweden's gross domestic product, down from a peak of 70 percent four years ago.

Even in the near term, economists are beginning to worry that in Sweden, as elsewhere across Europe, the cost of the government's success in cutting its spending deficit and in curtailing inflation will be high. The government announced Monday that it has cut its official growth forecast in half, to just 1.4 percent, a figure that many in the private sector regard as still too optimistic.

A marked slowdown in the growth of Swedish exports, caused in part by a 10 percent rise in the krona this year, has now forced the government to pin more of its hopes on a turnaround in the depressed domestic economy as an engine of growth.

But the prospects of that remain dim. Job insecurity is widespread, with official unemployment at 7.7 percent, or 11 percent if those in state-run training and job programs are included. Compounding the unease are cutbacks in the government's traditionally lavish transfer payments for everything from education to child benefits.

In the face of those developments, Swedish consumers have started saving intensely. Their savings rate now equals 8 percent of their disposable income — double the rate of the 1980s, when unemployment stood at only a third of current levels. As a result, many economists remain skeptical of the government's hopes for a pick-up in consumer spending.

The problem is exacerbated by unemployment trends. While the government forecasts show a continuing fall in unemployment, many private-sector economists now believe that it will actually rise slightly over the next year. That could lead to a dangerous spiral by touching off a new round of government spending cuts and tax increases to finance rising unemployment benefits. . . .

# Intel Earnings Beat Expectations

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

SANTA CLARA, California — Intel Corp., the world's largest chipmaker, said late Monday that first-quarter earnings were roughly unchanged from the same quarter a year ago, a better results than investors had expected.

Net income rose to $894 million, or $1.02 a share, from $889 million, or $1.02 a share a year ago, which had included a gain of 6 cents for sales of stock in another company.

Sales rose 30 percent, to $4.64 billion, from $3.56 billion.

The chipmaker's earnings had been expected to fall because of slowing sales of personal computers.

The average estimate of 30 analysts surveyed by IBES International Inc. was 98 cents. Analysts surveyed by First Call were looking for an average of 97 cents per share.

Intel said microprocessor shipments set a record in the quarter and that it saw no evidence of slowing demand. "From our perspective, PC demand appears solid," said Chief Executive Andrew S. Grove.

The results were announced after the close of stock trading. The company's share had risen 93 cents, to $60.56, on Monday.

*(Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)*

### ■ Time Warner Loss Widens

Time Warner Inc. said Monday that its first-quarter loss widened because of sluggish music sales and high costs resulting from several large cable acquisitions.

The entertainment conglomerate posted a net loss of $153 million, compared with a loss of $50 million a year ago. Sales increased to $2.06 billion from $1.81 billion.

The latest quarter included an extraordinary loss of $26 million for retirement of debt, and preferred-dividend expenses of $34 million. Sales and cash flow fell at Time Warner's music operations, which are the largest in the United States, as retailers slashed prices to compete in a fiercely competitive market. The company's direct-marketing business was also weak.

**Thinking Ahead** /Commentary

# Clinton Off Course on Japan Trade

By Reginald Dale
*International Herald Tribune*

WASHINGTON — After three years of dangerous trade brinkmanship with Japan, President Bill Clinton is beginning to see the error of his ways. Unfortunately, he still has a long way to go.

The good news is that in Tokyo this week, Mr. Clinton will seek to refocus U.S.-Japanese relations on longer-term security issues rather than on damaging short-term trade disputes, a complete reversal of his previous priorities.

The bad news is that there is little sign that mistaken U.S. assumptions about the Japanese economic challenge have changed — or that Mr. Clinton sees how counterproductive his Japan-bashing trade policies really have been.

U.S. officials from Mr. Clinton on down are still claiming that their tough, "results-oriented" negotiating stance has cracked open Japanese markets for American exporters, most recently for auto parts and cars.

That is a gross distortion of reality. In fact Japan has consistently rejected Mr. Clinton's main demands — to manage trade through quotas and numerical targets — and made only limited concessions on cars and other items.

Most of the much-trumpeted jump in auto sales is really due to the rise of the yen, increased car exports back to Japan from Japanese factories in the United States and Detroit's final acceptance that it must make cars the Japanese want to buy.

But it is hardly surprising that Washington should come to strange conclusions when the premises of its policy are so seriously flawed. From the beginning, Mr. Clinton's administration has overestimated Japan's economic strength and underestimated America's, ignoring the huge revival of U.S. competitiveness that began in the 1980s.

That error led Washington to the false conclusion that it should mimic

**Claims of success for U.S. negotiators are a gross distortion of reality.**

Japanese industrial and technology policies — an effort now fortunately badly flagging — when in fact it was the United States, not Japan, that was setting the pace in the global economy.

A related misconception that Japan is uniquely different from other countries lured Mr. Clinton down the primrose path to bilateral conflict and away from the rules of the multilateral trading system that it is in America's best interest to uphold.

But Japan is not as different as most Americans think, according to a new book by Everett Carll Ladd and Karlyn H. Bowman, "Public Opinion in America and Japan," published by the American Enterprise Institute.

The authors say that in a broad array of social values, there is now a striking convergence between the two societies, in much the same way that the two economic systems are drawing closer together. Mr. Clinton's calculation is different. He figures it is safe to declare a phony victory for his Japanese trade policy because it is unlikely to be a major issue in the U.S. presidential election in November.

The Japanese trade surplus is declining, unemployment in the United States is low, and many Americans are anyway now more worried about China than Japan. Despite the inroads made by the protectionist Patrick J. Buchanan in the Republican presidential primaries, nowhere did more than 7 percent of voters say trade had influenced their choice.

Mr. Clinton has another good reason for de-emphasizing trade in Tokyo. After successfully resisting the U.S. managed-trade offensive, Japan is now warning it will make no more bilateral concessions.

Tokyo is fortified by its well-deserved victory in world opinion against Mr. Clinton's demands and by new multilateral rules in the World Trade Organization that take much of the sting out of America's threats of unilateral sanctions.

In many key areas those rules are not clear and need to be tested. Japan may be bluffing. But if America picks another big fight with Japan, it risks losing that one too.

# Material Costs Erode Whirlpool's Net

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

BENTON HARBOR, Michigan — Whirlpool Corp. said Monday its first-quarter earnings fell 49 percent because of high material costs and sluggish sales in Europe.

The appliance maker said its net income totaled $38 million in the quarter, down from $75 million in the like period a year ago.

Revenue increased 4 percent, to $2.06 billion.

The earnings continue a string of disappointing results for the company, but the company has said it expects to improve in the third and fourth quarters as material and operating costs decline and as benefits from price increases occur.

"Our operations, in total, should produce solid, full-year operating improvement in 1996," said the Whirlpool chairman, David Whitwam.

He said that the quarter's results had been in line with the company's expectations.

Whirlpool shares rose $1 to close at $58.675.

The company said it had gained market share in North America and achieved record North American operating results.

The European market, however, was sluggish. Whirlpool said its shipments were slightly higher there than last year, even though industrywide shipments declined about 2 percent.

Whirlpool's European units suffered a sharp drop in profitability because of rising material costs, competitive pressures and a consumer shift to lower-priced products. A series of current product introductions in Europe is expected to help boost Whirlpool's margins there during the second half of the year.

About 60 percent of the company's regional sales in 1996 will be generated by new appliance models that are more profitable than previous lines. In the meantime, the company has announced or implemented price increases in several European markets.

Earnings declined in Latin America, while sales improved in Asia, the company said. Asian operations achieved sizable product-shipment and revenue gains, while planned quarterly operating loss was comparable to one recorded a year earlier, it added.

Whirlpool is the world's largest maker of washers, dryers, dishwashers and other home appliances. It manufactures products in 12 countries and sells them under 11 brand names in 140 countries. The brands include Whirlpool, Roper, KitchenAid and Bauknecht.

*(Bloomberg, AP, Knight-Ridder)*

# CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES

## Cross Rates

April 15

| | $ | £ | D.M. | F.F. | Lira | D.Fl. | B.F. | S.F. | Yen | C$ | Peseta |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amsterdam | 1.698 | 2.5455 | 1.1125 | 0.3295 | 0.1085* | — | 5.442* | 1.3725 | 1.558* | 1.245 | 1.3385* |
| Brussels | 31.0225 | 46.7025 | 20.534 | 6.053 | 1.9731* | 18.377 | — | 25.107 | 0.2862 | 22.8025 | 24.61* |
| Frankfurt | 1.5106 | 2.2775 | — | 0.2949 | 0.9614* | 0.895 | 4.8699* | 1.2249 | 1.3903* | 1.1147 | 1.1907* |
| London (a) | 1.5098 | — | 2.2884 | 7.7489 | 2,377.32 | 2.5481 | 46.827 | 1.8586 | 163.66 | 2.0426 | 190.30 |
| Madrid | 126.803 | 190.140 | 83.463 | 24.604 | 8.02* | 74.695 | 4.0646 | 102.415 | 116.279* | 93.023 | — |
| Milan | 1,570.30 | 2,371.30 | 1,038.10 | 306.32 | — | 931.40 | 50.882 | 1,324.29 | 14.493 | 1,158.60 | 12.457 |
| New York (b) | — | 1.5079a | 1.5129 | 5.1333 | 1,575.00 | 1.6901 | 31.06 | 1.2353 | 108.585 | 1.356 | 126.14 |
| Paris | 3.125 | 7.7286 | 3.3983 | — | 0.326* | 3.026 | 0.1652 | 4.1626 | 4.7261* | 3.7809 | 4.0655* |
| Tokyo | 108.85 | 164.36 | 72.12 | 21.28 | 0.695 | 64.55 | 3.5134 | 88.47 | — | 80.31 | 0.8697 |
| Toronto | 1.356 | 2.0441 | 0.8965 | 0.3641 | 0.086* | 0.8021 | 0.4366* | 1.0983 | 1.2491* | — | 1.074* |
| Zurich | 1.2295 | 1.8540 | 0.8146 | 0.24 | 0.0782* | 0.7289 | 3.9654* | — | 1.1352* | 0.9063 | 0.9740* |
| 1 ECU | 1.2596 | 0.8353 | 1.903 | 6.4555 | 1,980.47 | 2.1263 | 39.076 | 1.5580 | 136.591 | 1.7074 | 158.765 |
| 1 SDR | 1.46 | 0.9587 | 2.1828 | N.Q. | 2,371.94 | 1.4393 | 44.0340 | 1.7798 | 157.069 | 1.9639 | 182.154 |

*Closings in Amsterdam, London, Milan, New York, Paris and Zurich, fixings in other centers; Toronto rates at 3 p.m.*
*a: To buy one pound; b: To buy one dollar; *Units of 100; N.Q.: not quoted; N.A.: not available.*

## Other Dollar Values

| Currency | Per $ | Currency | Per $ | Currency | Per $ | Currency | Per $ |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Argent. peso | 0.9988 | Greek drac. | 242.89 | Mex. peso | 7.4775 | S. Afr. rand | 4.2125 |
| Australian $ | 1.3644 | Hong Kong $ | 7.7338 | N. Zealand $ | 1.4762 | S. Kor. won | 782.70 |
| Austrian sch. | 10.618 | Hung. forint | 148.49 | Norw. krone | 6.5125 | Swed. krona | 6.7393 |
| Brazil real | 0.985 | Indian rupee | 34.22 | Phil. peso | 26.19 | Taiwan $ | 27.16 |
| Chinese yuan | 8.3522 | Indo. rupiah | 2330.75 | Polish zloty | 2.62 | Thai baht | 25.32 |
| Czech koruna | 27.46 | Irish £ | 0.643 | Port. escudo | 154.86 | Turkish lira | 72841.5 |
| Danish krone | 5.8295 | Israeli shek. | 3.1525 | Russ ruble | 4916.00 | UAE dirham | 3.6727 |
| Egypt. pound | 3.397 | Kuw dinar | 0.2994 | Saudi riyal | 3.7503 | Venez. boliv. | 456.00 |
| Fin. markka | 4.7328 | Malay. ring. | 2.5188 | Sing. $ | 1.412 | | |

## Forward Rates

| Currency | 30-day | 60-day | 90-day | Currency | 30-day | 60-day | 90-day |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pound Sterling | 1.5073 | 1.5067 | 1.5061 | Japanese yen | 107.99 | 107.54 | 107.10 |
| Canadian dollar | 1.3560 | 1.3566 | 1.3569 | Swiss franc | 1.2269 | 1.2232 | 1.2196 |
| Deutsche mark | 1.5076 | 1.5048 | 1.5021 | | | | |

*Sources: ING Bank (Amsterdam); Indosuez Bank (Brussels); Banca Commerciale Italiana (Milan); Banque de France (Paris); Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi (Tokyo); Royal Bank of Canada (Toronto); IMF (SDR). Other data from Reuters and AP.*

## Eurocurrency Deposits

April 15

| | Dollar | D-Mark | Swiss Franc | Sterling | French Franc | Yen | ECU |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1-month | 5 1/4 - 5 3/8 | 3 5/16 - 3 7/16 | 1 13/16 - 1 15/16 | 5 7/8 - 6 | 3 13/16 - 3 15/16 | 1/2 - 1/2 | 4 9/16 - 4 11/16 |
| 3-month | 5 1/4 - 5 3/8 | 3 1/4 - 3 3/8 | 1 13/16 - 1 15/16 | 5 7/8 - 6 | 3 15/16 - 4 1/16 | 1/2 - 5/8 | 4 3/8 - 4 1/2 |
| 6-month | 5 5/16 - 5 1/2 | 3 5/16 - 3 7/16 | 1 13/16 - 1 15/16 | 5 15/16 - 6 1/16 | 4 1/16 - 4 3/16 | 9/16 - 9/16 | 4 3/8 - 4 1/2 |
| 1-year | 5 11/16 - 5 3/4 | 3 7/16 - 3 9/16 | 1 15/16 - 2 1/16 | 6 7/16 - 6 9/16 | 4 5/16 - 4 7/16 | 15/16 - 1 1/16 | 4 9/16 - 4 11/16 |

*Sources: Reuters, Lloyds Bank.*
*Rates applicable to interbank deposits of $1 million minimum (or equivalent).*

## Key Money Rates

| United States | Close | Prev |
|---|---|---|
| Discount rate | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Prime rate | 8 1/4 | 8 1/4 |
| Federal funds | 5 5/16 | 5 1/4 |
| 3-month CDs | 4.99 | 4.97 |
| CP 180 days direct | 6.11 | 6.11 |
| 3 month Treasury bill | 4.86 | 4.93 |
| 1-year Treasury bill | 5.16 | 5.22 |
| 2-year Treasury bill | 5.89 | 5.92 |
| 5-year Treasury note | 6.25 | 6.28 |
| 7-year Treasury note | 6.34 | 6.37 |
| 10-year Treasury note | 6.46 | 6.49 |
| 30-year Treasury bond | 6.78 | 6.80 |
| Merrill Lynch 30-day RA | 4.77 | 4.77 |
| **Japan** | | |
| Discount rate | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| Call money | 0.40 | 0.44 |
| 1-month interbank | 0.59 | 0.53 |
| 3-month interbank | 0.66 | 0.59 |
| 6-month interbank | 0.81 | 0.75 |
| 10-year Gov't bond | 3.35 | 3.36 |
| **Germany** | | |
| Lombard rate | 5.00 | 5.00 |
| Call money | 3.43 | 3.47 |
| 1-month interbank | 3.40 | 3.40 |
| 3-month interbank | 3.40 | 3.40 |
| 6-month interbank | 3.40 | 3.40 |
| 10-year Bund | 6.46 | 6.47 |
| **Britain** | | |
| Bank base rate | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| Call money | 5 15/16 | 6.00 |
| 1-month interbank | 6.00 | 5 15/16 |
| 3-month interbank | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| 6-month interbank | 6 1/16 | 6 1/16 |
| 10-year Gilt | 8.08 | 8.06 |
| **France** | | |
| Intervention rate | 3.70 | 3.70 |
| Call money | 3 13/16 | 3 13/16 |
| 1-month interbank | 3 7/8 | 3 7/8 |
| 3-month interbank | 3 15/16 | 3 15/16 |
| 6-month interbank | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| 10-year OAT | 6.59 | 6.60 |

*Sources: Reuters, Bloomberg, Merrill Lynch, Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi, Commerzbank, Crédit Lyonnais.*

## Gold

| | A.M. | P.M. | Ch'ge |
|---|---|---|---|
| Zurich | 394.50 | 393.00 | — 2.00 |
| London | 393.75 | 393.20 | —1.55 |
| New York | 397.00 | 395.50 | —1.60 |

*U.S. dollars per ounce. London official fixings; Zurich and New York opening and closing prices; New York Comex (June.)*

*Source: Reuters.*

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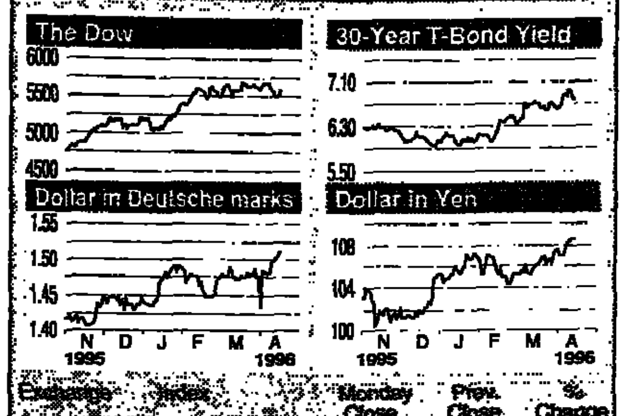


| Exchange | Index | Monday Close | Prev. Close | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NYSE | The Dow | 5592.92 | 5532.59 | +1.09 |
| NYSE | S&P 500 | 642.49 | 636.71 | +0.91 |
| NYSE | S&P 100 | 620.44 | 615.36 | +0.83 |
| NYSE | Composite | 345.29 | 342.41 | +0.81 |
| U.S. | Nasdaq Composite | 1110.44 | 1100.94 | +0.86 |
| AMEX | Market Value | 576.25 | 572.26 | +1.05 |
| Toronto | TSE Index | 5059.00 | 5021.91 | +0.74 |
| São Paulo | Bovespa | 58238.88 | 50155.84 | +8.16 |
| Mexico City | Bolsa | 3204.69 | 3174.85 | +0.94 |
| Buenos Aires | Merval | 530.95 | 523.83 | +1.36 |
| Santiago | IPSA General | 5348.38 | 5295.92 | +0.99 |
| Caracas | Capital General | N.A. | 3721.85 | - |

Source: Bloomberg, Reuters — International Herald Tribune

# Profits Surge at Brokerages

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

NEW YORK — Merrill Lynch & Co. and Paine Webber Group Inc. reported sharp rises in first-quarter earnings Monday, mirroring positive performances at other financial houses.

Strong stock and bond markets during most of the quarter attracted investors to Wall Street, helping brokerage firms' sales and trading activities. Increased underwriting of securities, as well as a strong market for mergers and acquisitions, helped the investment-banking sector.

Morgan Stanley & Co. has said its earnings more than tripled for the quarter ended Feb. 29, while Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. has said its profits were up 131 percent.

Merrill Lynch said first-quarter earnings rose 80 percent, to a record $408 million, led by gains in commissions and trading.

Merrill Lynch said revenue, net of interest, rose to 35 percent, to a record $3.26 billion from $2.42 billion a year ago.

Commission revenue rose 44 percent, to $989 million, reflecting booming demand for stocks. The British brokerage Smith New Court, acquired last year, contributed to the gains, particularly in international sales. Trading revenue at Merrill jumped 46 percent, to $982 million.

Revenue from asset management rose 20 percent, to $638 million. Merrill said client assets rose 21 percent in the past year, to $731 billion. Assets in its mutual funds totaled $208 billion.

Investment-banking revenue climbed 52 percent, to $378 million, as securities underwriting surged amid rising stock prices and low interest rates. Merrill Lynch was the top Wall Street underwriter for the quarter, with $38.4 billion in sales.

Shareholders' return on equity rose to 28.2 percent, from 16.7 percent in the 1995 period.

Stock in Merrill Lynch rose $1.25 to $59.00.

Paine Webber said earnings rose to $100.5 million in the quarter, from $34.3 million in the year-earlier period. Revenue increased to $962.6 million from $725.8 million.

The company said across-the-board improvement in its businesses and progress holding expenses down contributed to improvement during the quarter.

Paine Webber stock rose 25 cents, to $20.375.

*(Bloomberg, AP)*

**■ Profit Surges at Travelers**

Travelers Group Inc. reported a 53 percent increase in profit for the first quarter, the Associated Press reported from New York.

The financial conglomerate earned $520.2 million, or $1.55 a share, compared with $340 million, or $1.01 a share, in the like period a year ago. Revenue rose 5 percent, to $4.51 billion.

The company's earnings included a $40.6 million gain in its investment portfolio.

Travelers said operating earnings at its Smith Barney Inc. brokerage more than doubled because of robust financial markets. Improved results were also seen at Primerica Financial Services and Travelers Life & Annuity. Stock in Travelers rose $1.50, to $62.375.

# Good Profit Reports Give Lift to Market

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

NEW YORK — Stocks rose Monday as a number of companies released profit reports that were better than Wall Street had expected.

The strength of profit reports at such companies as NationsBank, Travelers, Clorox and Corning defused concern that sluggish profit growth would keep a lid on stock prices.

"Investors are reacting to some of the good numbers coming out, which suggest the outlook is probably a little bit better," for earnings later in the year, said Richard Ciardullo, head trader at Liberty Investment Management in St. Petersburg, Florida. "Some of the bank earnings have just been dynamite."

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 60.33 points, to 5,592.92. Advancing issues outnumbered declining ones by a 2-to-1 margin.

Broad-market indexes also rose. The Nasdaq composite index rose 9.50 points, to 1,110.44. The index, which comprises many high-technology issues, rose after Merrill Lynch repeated a "buy" recommendation on International Business Machines and as investors anticipated rising profits from Intel and Microsoft.

Intel, which rose 15/16, to 60 9/16, released better-than-expected after the market closed on Monday, while Microsoft, up 2 25/64 at 103 33/64, is scheduled to post earnings on Thursday. IBM, which rose 2½ 114, is to report earnings before the market opens Wednesday.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 5.78 points, to 642.49.

Treasury bond prices edged higher as traders hoped that several reports on manufacturing due out this week would confirm that the U.S. economy was expanding too slowly for inflation to take hold.

The price of the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond rose 6/32, to 90 1/32; the yield edged down to 6.78 percent from 6.80 percent.

The bond market had its biggest rally in about 10 months on Friday, driving the 30-year Treasury yield down 13 basis points.

Hugh Johnson, the market strategist at First Albany, said stocks were still benefiting from Friday's bond rally.

"People were relieved to see that bond prices have two directions," Mr. Johnson said. "The fact that the bond market was stable today really has helped."

Stock in Goodyear Tire & Rubber rose ⅛ to 50¾ after the company said preliminary estimates indicated that its first-quarter profit would rise sharply from a year earlier.

Shares in financial-services companies rose after NationsBank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage, First Chicago, Merrill Lynch and Paine Webber reported stronger-than-expected first-quarter profits, reinforcing similar reports from J.P. Morgan and Fleet Financial last week.

AT&T Capital shares dropped 1¼ to 37 after the company's board on Friday authorized it to retain financial and legal advisers for a possible sale of AT&T Corp.'s 86 percent stake in the leasing and finance company.

Baxter International surged 1⅛ to 43¾ after the hospital-supplies and medical-equipment company was raised to a medium-term "buy" from medium-term "accumulate" by Merrill Lynch.

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Cisco Systems slumped 1 7/16 to 44 5/16 after the software company was downgraded to "hold" from "buy" by Salomon Brothers.

Enserch soared 4⅛ to 20¾ after Texas Utilities said it agreed to acquire the natural gas and oil company for about $1.7 billion in stock and debt.

Global Industrial Technologies, a mining and construction equipment manufacturer, dropped 2¼ to 19⅞ after it said it expected second-quarter earnings of between 44 cents and 46 cents a share, less than analysts' expectations of 49 cents.

Hutchinson Technology, the developer of computer-disk-drive components, soared 5¾ to 44 after it posted better-than-expected earnings for its secon financial quarter.

Planet Hollywood International increased the price range for its initial public offering to between $17 and $18 a share from $14-$16, valuing the IPO at up to $223.5 million. The celebrity restaurant chain plans to sell 10.8 million shares. Trading is to begin Friday on Nasdaq under the ticker PHII.

TRW stock rose 1⅜ to 89¼. The manufacturer of auto parts and aerospace products earned $1.73 a share in the first quarter, compared with $1.72 a year earlier.

Velcro Industries, the Dutch company that makes fasteners, saw its shares soar 6½ to 60¾. Many analysts expect a rebound in the company's shares as it finds new applications for its products and expands beyond its core North American market. *(AP, AFX, Bloomberg)*

### Very briefly:

- **Reynolds Metals Co.**'s first-quarter profit before charges tumbled 51 percent, to $40 million, reflecting falling aluminum prices and weak demand.
- **Eli Lilly & Co.**'s first-quarter net income fell 1 percent, to $389.2 million, because of spin-offs, but profit from continuing operations was up 9 percent. Sales of the antidepressant drug Prozac gained 27 percent.
- **Corning Inc.** said first-quarter net profit fell 13 percent, to $71.8 million, as falling earnings from its clinical laboratories business more than offset rising profit from its pharmaceutical services and fiber-optics businesses.
- **Phillips Petroleum Co.** said it planned to boost capital spending this year by 11 percent, to $1.62 billion, its highest level since the 1980s, as it concentrates on income-producing projects.
- **TRW Inc.**'s first-quarter earnings rose 2 percent, to $117 million, falling short of expectations partly because of the strike at General Motors Corp.
- **NationsBank Corp.** posted a 33 percent increase in first-quarter net income, to $590 million. *Bloomberg, AP, AFP*

# Texas Utilities to Acquire Enserch

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

DALLAS — Texas Utilities Co. said Monday that it would buy Enserch Corp. for about $1.7 billion in stock and debt, creating a merged entity that would provide electricity and natural gas to more than two million consumers in central and western Texas.

Texas Utilities is to acquire Enserch asset, including Lone Star Gas Company of Texas Inc., for $550 million in common stock and $1.15 billion of debt and preferred stock.

As part of the agreement, Enserch is to spin off its remaining 83 percent stake in Enserch Exploration Co. to its shareholders before the merger is completed, Enserch said.

"This transaction is the culmination of a strategic plan to enhance shareholder value which the corporation's board of directors has been actively pursuing for some time," said David W. Biegler, Enserch's chief executive.

Enserch shares soared $4.375 to close at $20.75. Texas Utilities shares fell 12.5 cents to $39.50.

*(Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder)*

**■ Western Bids for KCPL**

Western Resources Inc. has offered to buy Kansas City Power & Light Co. in a $1.7 billion deal aimed at breaking up a proposed merger between KCPL and UtiliCorp United Inc., The Associated Press reported from Kansas City.

### Weekend Box Office

*The Associated Press*

LOS ANGELES — "Primal Fear" dominated the U.S. box office over the weekend, with a gross of $8.1 million. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers, based on Friday's ticket sales and estimated sales for Saturday and Sunday.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Primal Fear | (Paramount) | $8.1 million |
| 2. James and the Giant Peach | (Disney) | $8.0 million |
| 3. The Birdcage | (United Artists) | $7.1 million |
| 4. Fear | (Universal) | $6.9 million |
| 5. A Thin Line Between Love & Hate | (New Line Cinema) | $5.6 million |
| 6. Sgt. Bilko | (Universal) | $3.8 million |
| 7. (Re) Executive Decision | (Warner Bros.) | $3.0 million |
| Flirting With Disaster | (Miramax) | $3.0 million |
| 9. Oliver and Company | (Disney) | $2.4 million |
| 10. Fargo | (Gramercy) | $1.9 million |

# Dollar Gains on Mark Pessimism

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

NEW YORK — The dollar rose against the Deutsche mark and other major currencies on Monday following weekend remarks by Bundesbank President Hans Tietmeyer that he would "welcome" a decline in the German currency.

Mr. Tietmeyer's comments, made at a European Union conference in Verona, Italy, added impetus to the dollar's rally. The central banker said a further decline in the mark would help boost Germany's sputtering economy.

"When you hear Tietmeyer talk like that, it gives confidence for the market to buy dollars," said Don Quattrucci, a currency trader at Boston Co., a money-management firm.

The dollar closed at 1.5133 Deutsche marks, up from 1.5045 DM at the close on Friday, but the U.S. unit slipped to 108.585 yen from 108.605. Against other currencies, the dollar closed at 5.1335 French francs, up from 5.1080, and at 1.2353 Swiss francs, up from 1.2273. The pound fell to $1.5079 from $1.5141.

In Basel on Monday, Mr. Tietmeyer said that the Group of 10 central-bank governors saw signs that economic growth was already under way or about to start in their countries without inflationary pressure. "All in all, I think the outlook is improving," Mr. Tietmeyer said. "This is without any new risk on the inflationary side."

The yen benefited from speculation that the U.S. government did not want it to weaken much more. *(Bloomberg, Reuters)*

**FOREIGN EXCHANGE**

## AMEX

**Monday's 4 p.m. Close**
The top 300 most-active shares, up to the closing on Wall Street.
*The Associated Press*

| Stock | Sales | High | Low | Latest | Chge |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMA Str | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AM Intl | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| AMC | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| ARC | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| ATT Fd | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

| Stock | Sales | High | Low | Latest | Chge |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| KFX Inc | 2460 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| KV Ph A | 109 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| XCL Ltd | 5170 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Xytron | 105 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

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**Dow Jones**

| | Open | High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Indus | 5549.93 | 5592.92 | 5532.59 | 5592.92 | +60.33 |
| Trans | 2120.92 | 2148.94 | 2111.17 | 2148.89 | +37.52 |
| Util | 208.29 | 208.77 | 207.17 | 208.63 | +1.84 |
| Comp | 1794.57 | 1810.43 | 1788.07 | 1810.36 | +22.29 |

**Standard & Poors**

| | High | Low | Close | 4:00 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Industrials | 755.34 | 750.51 | 754.95 | 761.86 |
| Transp. | 496.46 | 493.00 | 494.40 | 503.02 |
| Utilities | 186.78 | 184.66 | 186.55 | 187.84 |
| Finance | 64.79 | 63.13 | 64.68 | 65.27 |
| SP 500 | 637.14 | 631.18 | 636.71 | 642.48 |
| SP 100 | 615.36 | 609.71 | 615.36 | 620.44 |

**NYSE**

| | High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Composite | 345.30 | 342.41 | 345.30 | +2.79 |
| Industrials | 439.53 | 435.92 | 439.57 | +3.60 |
| Transp. | 320.74 | 316.02 | 320.70 | +4.68 |
| Utility | 241.97 | 240.23 | 241.97 | +1.74 |
| Finance | 286.19 | 283.94 | 286.08 | +2.14 |

**Nasdaq**

| | High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Composite | 1109.84 | 1104.27 | 1109.00 | +8.06 |
| Industrials | 1044.22 | 1039.53 | 1042.99 | +7.02 |
| Banks | 1044.71 | 1042.75 | 1044.60 | -3.08 |
| Insurance | 1285.14 | 1280.70 | 1282.93 | -0.22 |
| Finance | 1272.94 | 1266.78 | 1270.54 | +3.76 |
| Transp. | 880.93 | 873.70 | 879.72 | +8.31 |

**AMEX**

| High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 576.09 | 572.24 | 576.09 | +3.83 |

**Dow Jones Bond**

| | Close | Chg. |
|---|---|---|
| 20 Bonds | 102.46 | +0.26 |
| 10 Utilities | 99.40 | +0.16 |
| 10 Industrials | 105.53 | +0.37 |

**Most Actives**

**NYSE**

| | Vol. | High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TelMex | 78207 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

**Nasdaq**

| | Vol. | High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cisco s | 106816 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

**AMEX**

| | Vol. | High | Low | Last | Chg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ChevSoft | 10931 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

**Trading Activity**

**NYSE**

| | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|
| Advanced | 1661 | 1591 |
| Declined | 768 | 804 |
| Unchanged | 710 | 725 |
| Total issues | 3139 | 3120 |
| New Highs | 109 | 63 |
| New Lows | 14 | 12 |

**Nasdaq**

| | Noon | Prev. Close |
|---|---|---|
| Advanced | 1773 | 2041 |
| Declined | 1411 | 1631 |
| Unchanged | 2348 | 1750 |
| Total issues | 5434 | 5422 |
| New Highs | 179 | 139 |
| New Lows | 43 | 50 |

**AMEX**

| | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|
| Advanced | 332 | 325 |
| Declined | 247 | 239 |
| Unchanged | 203 | 225 |
| Total issues | 782 | 789 |
| New Highs | 40 | 21 |
| New Lows | 7 | 9 |

**Market Sales**

| | Today Close | Prev. cons. |
|---|---|---|
| NYSE | 346.21 | 485.24 |
| Amex | 21.18 | 26.98 |
| Nasdaq | 419.37 | 483.76 |

*in millions.*

### Dividends

| Company | Per | Amt | Rec | Pay |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **IRREGULAR** | | | | |
| Fidelity SelBiotech | - | .77 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Computers | - | .55 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel ConstHousg | - | .78 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Environmnt | - | .02 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Ind Eq | - | .96 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Material | - | .42 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Insurance | - | .40 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel NaturalGas | - | .10 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Paper Forest | - | .93 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Regional Bk | - | .61 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Technology | - | .53 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Telecomm | - | 3.27 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Fidel Transport | - | .12 | 4-12 | 4-15 |
| Montgom Stinco | - | .35 | 4-22 | 4-30 |
| **STOCK SPLIT** | | | | |
| MFS Commun 2 for 1 split. | | | | |
| **STOCK** | | | | |
| Carnegie Bncp | - | 5% | 4-24 | 5-15 |
| **REVERSE STOCK SPLIT** | | | | |
| Prism Group 1 for 8 reverse split. | | | | |
| **INCREASED** | | | | |
| Dana Corp | Q | .25 | 6-1 | 6-15 |
| Dauphin Deposits | Q | .285 | 7-10 | 7-19 |
| Eastern Utils | Q | .415 | 5-1 | 5-15 |
| **INITIAL** | | | | |
| LTV Corp | c | .03 | 5-15 | 6-7 |
| c-first since going public. | | | | |
| **REGULAR** | | | | |
| Cristal Chile | | .1728 | 4-19 | — |
| Elsevier NV | | .505 | 4-19 | 6-7 |
| Koors Indust | | .1918 | 4-19 | 5-16 |
| Penn REIT | Q | .47 | 4-30 | 5-15 |
| Polaris Indust | Q | .15 | 5-1 | 5-15 |
| SantaFe Pac Pipe | Q | .75 | 4-30 | 5-15 |

a-annual; b-approximate amount per share/ADR; g-payable in Canadian funds; m-monthly; q-quarterly; s-semi-annual

### Stock Tables Explained

Sales figures are unofficial. Yearly highs and lows reflect the previous 52 weeks plus the current week, but not the latest trading day. Where a split or stock dividend amounting to 25 percent or more has been paid, the years high-low range and dividend are shown for the new stocks only. Unless otherwise noted, rates of dividends are annual disbursements based on the latest declaration.

a - dividend also extra (s).
b - annual rate of dividend plus stock dividend.
c - liquidating dividend.
cld - called.
d - new yearly low.
e - dividend declared or paid in preceding 12 months.
g - dividend in Canadian funds, subject to 15% non-residence tax.
i - dividend declared after split-up or stock dividend.
j - dividend paid this year, omitted, deferred, or no action taken at latest dividend meeting.
k - dividend declared or paid this year, an accumulative issue with dividends in arrears.
n - new issue in the past 52 weeks. The high-low range begins with the start of trading.
nd - next day delivery.
P/E - price-earnings ratio.
r - dividend declared or paid in preceding 12 months, plus stock dividend.
s - stock split. Dividend begins with date of split.
sls - sales.
t - dividend paid in stock in preceding 12 months, estimated cash value on ex-dividend or ex-distribution date.
u - new yearly high.
v - trading halted.
vi - in bankruptcy or receivership or being reorganized under the Bankruptcy Act, or securities assumed by such companies.
wd - when distributed.
wi - when issued/
ww - with warrants.
x - ex-dividend or ex-rights.
xdis - ex-distribution.
xw - without warrants.
y - ex-dividend and sales in full.
yld - yield.
z - sales in full.

## INTERNATIONAL FUTURES

**April 15, 1996**

**Metals**

**GOLD (NCMX)** 100 troy oz.- dollars per troy oz.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apr 96 | 393.60 | 392.20 | 393.00 | —1.60 | 236 |
| May 96 | | | 394.00 | —1.60 | 2 |
| Jun 96 | 397.00 | 394.70 | 395.50 | —1.60 | 106,171 |
| Aug 96 | 399.30 | 396.90 | 397.70 | —1.60 | 20,819 |
| Oct 96 | 400.10 | 399.00 | 400.10 | —1.60 | 5,357 |
| Dec 96 | 403.30 | 401.70 | 402.50 | —1.60 | 34,653 |
| Feb 97 | 405.50 | 404.50 | 405.00 | —1.60 | 5,126 |
| Apr 97 | | | 407.40 | —1.60 | 4,639 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 23,938
Fri's open int 205,804 off 1254

**HI GRADE COPPER (NCMX)** 25,000 lbs.- cents per lb.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apr 96 | 120.25 | 118.10 | 118.25 | —1.05 | 1,984 |
| May 96 | 120.30 | 117.40 | 117.75 | —1.45 | 17,183 |
| Jun 96 | 118.50 | 116.50 | 116.50 | —1.40 | 1,047 |
| Jul 96 | 118.40 | 116.05 | 116.05 | —1.45 | 10,377 |
| Aug 96 | 116.60 | 116.60 | 115.20 | —1.35 | 561 |
| Sep 96 | 116.20 | 114.30 | 114.40 | —1.20 | 3,770 |
| Oct 96 | 114.60 | 114.60 | 113.55 | —1.05 | 464 |
| Nov 96 | | | 112.65 | —0.95 | 352 |
| Dec 96 | 113.50 | 112.10 | 111.90 | —0.88 | 5,649 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 16,137
Fri's open int 44,382 up 964

**SILVER (NCMX)** 5,000 troy oz.- cents per troy oz.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apr 96 | | | 547.1 | —3.8 | 2 |
| May 96 | 551.5 | 545.0 | 548.0 | —3.8 | 51,555 |
| Jul 96 | 557.5 | 550.5 | 553.2 | —3.8 | 22,813 |
| Sep 96 | 562.0 | 556.0 | 557.9 | —3.9 | 11,485 |
| Dec 96 | 565.5 | 562.0 | 565.1 | —4.1 | 8,091 |
| Jan 97 | | | 568.1 | —4.1 | 3 |
| Mar 97 | | | 572.5 | —4.3 | 3,317 |
| May 97 | | | 577.5 | —4.3 | 738 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 221,790
Fri's open int 101,213 off 1976

**PLATINUM (NMER)** 50 troy oz.- dollars per troy oz.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apr 96 | | | 406.80 | —3.40 | 51 |
| Jul 96 | 409.50 | 405.50 | 406.80 | —3.40 | 19,594 |
| Oct 96 | 412.50 | 410.00 | 409.80 | —3.40 | 3,079 |
| Jan 97 | 416.00 | 413.00 | 412.60 | —3.40 | 1,076 |
| Apr 97 | | | 415.30 | —3.40 | 705 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 2,348
Fri's open int 24,505 up 573

**LONDON METALS (LME)** Dollars per metric ton

| | Close | | Previous | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Aluminum (High Grade)** | | | | |
| Spot | 1579.00 | 1580.00 | 1598.00 | 1599.00 |
| Forward | 1614.00 | 1614½ | 1631.00 | 1632.00 |
| **Copper Cathodes (High Grade)** | | | | |
| Spot | 2591.00 | 2593.00 | 2587.00 | 2590.00 |
| Forward | 2570.00 | 2571.00 | 2558.00 | 2559.00 |
| **Lead** | | | | |
| Spot | 820.00 | 822.00 | 815.00 | 818.00 |
| Forward | 817.00 | 812.00 | 808.00 | 809.00 |
| **Nickel** | | | | |
| Spot | 8185.00 | 8195.00 | 8250.00 | 8260.00 |
| Forward | 8280.00 | 8285.00 | 8335.00 | 8340.00 |
| **Tin** | | | | |
| Spot | 6465.00 | 6475.00 | 6445.00 | 6455.00 |
| Forward | 6470.00 | 6480.00 | 6465.00 | 6470.00 |
| **Zinc (Special High Grade)** | | | | |
| Spot | 1054.00 | 1055.00 | 1060.00 | 1061.00 |
| Forward | 1080.00 | 1081.00 | 1085.00 | 1085½ |

**Food**

**COCOA (NCSE)** 10 metric tons- $ per ton

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 1361 | 1342 | 1344 | —12 | 8,973 |
| Jul 96 | 1383 | 1365 | 1368 | —10 | 31,115 |
| Sep 96 | 1402 | 1382 | 1389 | —7 | 14,572 |
| Dec 96 | 1412 | 1397 | 1398 | —11 | 16,133 |
| Mar 97 | 1430 | 1412 | 1412 | —6 | 11,707 |

Est. sales 10,707 Fri's. sales 11,212
Fri's open int 96,682 up 808

**COFFEE C (NCSE)** 37,500 lbs.- cents per lb.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 115.30 | 112.70 | 114.05 | —0.40 | 12,008 |
| Jul 96 | 115.40 | 113.00 | 114.90 | —0.30 | 10,042 |
| Sep 96 | 115.00 | 113.00 | 114.00 | —0.90 | 4,056 |
| Dec 96 | 114.75 | 113.50 | 114.50 | +0.50 | 2,274 |

Est. sales 8,762 Fri's. sales 9,214
Fri's open int 29,551 up 1006

**SUGAR-WORLD 11 (NCSE)** 112,000 lbs.- cents per lb.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 11.75 | 11.62 | 11.67 | +0.05 | 31,277 |
| Jul 96 | 11.24 | 11.11 | 11.19 | +0.07 | 55,020 |
| Oct 96 | 10.98 | 10.88 | 10.97 | +0.03 | 33,161 |
| Mar 97 | 10.77 | 10.68 | 10.77 | +0.05 | 20,217 |

Est. sales 16,959 Fri's. sales 14,759
Fri's open int 148,497 off 1107

**ORANGE JUICE (NCTN)** 15,000 lbs.- cents per lb.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 132.25 | 130.00 | 130.60 | —2.15 | 11,193 |
| Jul 96 | 130.50 | 128.50 | 129.40 | —1.25 | 5,507 |
| Sep 96 | 129.80 | 128.70 | 128.40 | —0.95 | 2,604 |
| Nov 96 | 125.00 | 125.00 | 125.75 | —0.35 | 945 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 1,467
Fri's open int 23,621 off 163

**ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BOND (LIFFE)** ITL 200 million - pts of 100 pct

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | 111.34 | 110.85 | 110.95 | + 0.52 | 49,936 |
| Sep 96 | 110.70 | 110.66 | 110.37 | + 0.49 | 258 |

Est. sales: 36,918. Prev. sales: 42,043
Prev. open int.: 50,194 up 3,075

**10-YEAR FRENCH GOV. BONDS (MATIF)** FF500,000 - pts of 100 pct

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | 122.24 | 121.72 | 121.74 | — 0.20 | 151,001 |
| Sep 96 | 120.92 | 120.72 | 120.42 | — 0.20 | 5,394 |
| Dec 97 | 119.62 | 119.62 | 119.12 | — 0.20 | 664 |
| Mar 97 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 119.92 | — 0.20 | 153 |

Est. volume: 1,893.00 Open int.: 157,212 up 6,304

**BRITISH POUND (CMER)** 62,500 pounds, $ per pound

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | 1.5120 | 1.5052 | 1.5064 | —72 | 50,771 |
| Sep 96 | 1.5070 | 1.5040 | 1.5050 | —72 | 69 |
| Dec 96 | | | 1.5034 | —72 | 32 |
| Mar 97 | | | 1.5018 | —72 | 4 |

Est. sales 15,032 Fri's. sales 7,216
Fri's open int 50,876 off 111

**CANADIAN DOLLAR (CMER)** 100,000 dollars, $ per Cdn. dlr

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | .7387 | .7377 | .7381 | +3 | 36,444 |
| Sep 96 | .7388 | .7384 | .7384 | +4 | 1,562 |
| Dec 96 | .7390 | .7384 | .7387 | +6 | 1,545 |
| Mar 97 | .7388 | .7385 | .7389 | +7 | 434 |

Est. sales 2,375 Fri's. sales 1,931
Fri's open int 42,163 off 211

**GERMAN MARK (CMER)** 125,000 marks, $ per mark

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | .6657 | .6630 | .6634 | —40 | 73,498 |
| Sep 96 | .6690 | .6670 | .6672 | —40 | 2,211 |
| Dec 96 | .6730 | .6718 | .6710 | —41 | 195 |
| Mar 97 | | | .6750 | —40 | 21 |

Est. sales 17,523 Fri's. sales 16,579
Fri's open int 77,925 off 107

**JAPANESE YEN (CMER)** 12.5 million yen, $ per 100 yen

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | .009317 | .009267 | .009291 | —3 | 79,878 |
| Sep 96 | .009434 | .009401 | .009403 | —4 | 2,143 |
| Dec 96 | | | .009514 | —6 | 1,068 |

Est. sales 12,845 Fri's. sales 11,963
Fri's open int 83,174 off 134

**SWISS FRANC (CMER)** 125,000 francs, $ per franc

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | .8190 | .8149 | .8147 | —53 | 40,237 |
| Sep 96 | .8261 | .8212 | .8219 | —55 | 1,384 |
| Dec 96 | .8307 | .8290 | .8293 | —56 | 650 |

Est. sales 15,514 Fri's. sales 19,357
Fri's open int 42,284 up 3636

**3-MONTH STERLING (LIFFE)** £500,000 - pts of 100 pct

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun96 | 93.98 | 93.95 | 93.98 | + 0.03 | 80,937 |
| Sep96 | 93.84 | 93.79 | 93.83 | + 0.06 | 57,127 |
| Dec96 | 93.47 | 93.41 | 93.46 | + 0.06 | 55,003 |
| Mar97 | 92.99 | 92.94 | 92.99 | + 0.07 | 38,373 |
| Jun97 | 92.63 | 92.53 | 92.58 | + 0.07 | 34,013 |
| Sep97 | 92.27 | 92.25 | 92.27 | + 0.06 | 25,281 |
| Dec97 | 92.06 | 92.04 | 92.06 | + 0.06 | 14,166 |
| Mar98 | 91.94 | 91.92 | 91.92 | + 0.05 | 11,463 |
| Jun98 | 91.83 | 91.80 | 91.80 | + 0.05 | 8,109 |
| Sep98 | 91.75 | 91.70 | 91.72 | + 0.05 | 6,907 |
| Dec98 | 91.68 | 91.60 | 91.64 | + 0.05 | 8,519 |
| Mar99 | 91.59 | 91.54 | 91.56 | + 0.06 | 1,625 |

Est. sales: 40,834. Prev. sales: 34,841
Prev. open int.: 343,443 off 2,099

**3-MONTH EUROMARK (LIFFE)** DM1 million - pts of 100 pct

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun96 | 96.80 | 96.77 | 96.78 | + 0.02 | 220,644 |
| Sep96 | 96.70 | 96.67 | 96.68 | + 0.01 | 242,497 |
| Dec96 | 96.45 | 96.42 | 96.43 | + 0.01 | 189,006 |
| Mar97 | 96.14 | 96.08 | 96.09 | + 0.01 | 115,088 |
| Jun97 | 95.70 | 95.69 | 95.70 | + 0.02 | 97,240 |
| Sep97 | 95.38 | 95.33 | 95.33 | + 0.02 | 79,931 |
| Dec97 | 95.01 | 94.97 | 94.97 | + 0.02 | 52,323 |
| Mar98 | 94.70 | 94.65 | 94.67 | + 0.02 | 24,797 |
| Jun98 | 94.39 | 94.37 | 94.35 | + 0.02 | 20,481 |
| Sep98 | 94.12 | 94.07 | 94.07 | + 0.01 | 15,029 |
| Dec98 | 93.85 | 93.82 | 93.82 | + 0.02 | 12,979 |
| Mar99 | 93.58 | 93.56 | 93.56 | + 0.03 | 4,593 |

Est. sales: 2,186. Prev. sales: 8,474
Prev. open int.: 52,609 off 943

**3-MONTH EUROLIRA (LIFFE)** ITL 1 million - pts of 100 pct

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun96 | 90.98 | 90.84 | 90.84 | — 0.01 | 38,982 |
| Sep96 | 91.38 | 91.36 | 91.27 | — 0.02 | 23,137 |
| Dec96 | 91.41 | 91.33 | 91.33 | + 0.02 | 17,165 |
| Mar97 | 91.31 | 91.26 | 91.25 | + 0.04 | 7,404 |
| Jun97 | 91.20 | 91.17 | 91.17 | + 0.08 | 4,708 |
| Sep97 | 91.06 | 91.02 | 91.02 | + 0.05 | 1,861 |

Est. sales: 14,570. Prev. sales: 15,578
Prev. open int.: 92,637 up 1,335

**3-MONTH PIBOR (MATIF)** FF5 million - pts of 100 pct

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | 95.93 | 95.87 | 95.87 | +0.01 | 60,812 |
| Sep 96 | 95.82 | 95.77 | 95.77 | +0.01 | 52,291 |
| Dec 96 | 95.63 | 95.58 | 95.59 | +0.01 | 28,688 |
| Mar 97 | 95.40 | 95.36 | 95.36 | +0.01 | 22,989 |
| Jun 97 | 95.10 | 95.07 | 95.07 | +0.02 | 11,301 |
| Sep 97 | 94.81 | 94.78 | 94.78 | +0.02 | 7,195 |
| Dec 97 | 94.58 | 94.55 | 94.55 | +0.02 | 6,948 |
| Mar 98 | 94.39 | 94.37 | 94.37 | +0.01 | 4,309 |
| Jun 98 | 94.21 | 94.20 | 94.20 | +0.02 | 1,908 |
| Sep 98 | 94.00 | 94.00 | 94.00 | +0.03 | 1,857 |
| Dec 98 | 93.82 | 93.82 | 93.82 | +0.03 | 1,723 |
| Mar 99 | 93.57 | 93.56 | 93.57 | +0.03 | 1,472 |

Est. volume: 19,244. Open int.: 201,392 off 1,993.

**Industrials**

**COTTON 2 (NCTN)** 50,000 lbs.- cents per lb.

**HEATING OIL (NMER)** 42,000 gal- cents per gal

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 63.30 | 61.05 | 62.62 | +0.40 | 34,632 |
| Jun 96 | 57.50 | 55.80 | 57.06 | +0.34 | 16,997 |
| Jul 96 | 54.40 | 53.10 | 54.16 | +0.44 | 13,956 |
| Aug 96 | | | 49.36 | +0.44 | 5 |
| Aug 96 | 53.20 | 52.35 | 53.16 | +0.34 | 9,985 |
| Sep 96 | 53.20 | 52.55 | 53.26 | +0.34 | 5,384 |
| Oct 96 | 53.70 | 53.55 | 53.86 | +0.34 | 3,548 |
| Nov 96 | 54.20 | 53.85 | 54.36 | +0.34 | 4,165 |
| Dec 96 | 54.70 | 54.00 | 54.81 | +0.29 | 11,916 |
| Jan 97 | 54.70 | 54.00 | 54.91 | +0.29 | 4,091 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 26,814
Fri's open int 99,149 up 2295

**LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NMER)** 1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 25.10 | 22.65 | 25.08 | +0.71 | 64,607 |
| Jun 96 | 22.50 | 21.32 | 22.44 | +0.53 | 102,504 |
| Jul 96 | 20.85 | 19.87 | 20.75 | +0.37 | 54,336 |
| Aug 96 | 19.65 | 19.00 | 19.65 | +0.21 | 43,644 |
| Sep 96 | 19.00 | 18.43 | 18.91 | +0.02 | 33,632 |
| Oct 96 | 18.78 | 18.22 | 18.78 | +0.13 | 20,434 |
| Nov 96 | 18.50 | 18.10 | 18.47 | —0.01 | 17,194 |
| Dec 96 | 18.35 | 17.95 | 18.35 | +0.03 | 31,751 |
| Jan 97 | 18.21 | 18.02 | 18.19 | —0.02 | 18,343 |
| Feb 97 | 18.12 | 17.95 | 18.12 | +0.02 | 14,892 |
| Mar 97 | 18.35 | | 18.35 | +0.34 | 11,399 |
| May 97 | 18.00 | 17.75 | 17.75 | —0.11 | 1,432 |
| Jun 97 | 17.76 | 17.78 | 17.76 | —0.04 | 13,394 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 136,905
Fri's open int 481,489 off 4381

**NATURAL GAS (NMER)** 10,000 mm btu's, $ per mm btu

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 2.420 | 2.335 | 2.340 | —71 | 31,482 |
| Jun 96 | 2.400 | 2.325 | 2.340 | —32 | 25,880 |
| Jul 96 | 2.360 | 2.310 | 2.330 | —24 | 20,397 |
| Aug 96 | 2.315 | 2.280 | 2.280 | —32 | 15,167 |
| Sep 96 | 2.270 | 2.250 | 2.250 | —35 | 13,287 |
| Oct 96 | 2.270 | 2.245 | 2.245 | —37 | 11,089 |
| Nov 96 | 2.300 | 2.285 | 2.290 | —14 | 7,458 |
| Dec 96 | 2.385 | 2.375 | 2.380 | —14 | 10,028 |
| Jan 97 | 2.415 | 2.385 | 2.400 | —9 | 4,682 |
| Feb 97 | 2.320 | 2.295 | 2.300 | —22 | 3,508 |
| Mar 97 | 2.155 | 2.145 | 2.145 | —17 | 2,975 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 30,988
Fri's open int 163,610 up 4822

**UNLEADED GASOLINE (NMER)** 42,000 gal- cents per gal

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 72.70 | 70.80 | 71.40 | —0.57 | 34,726 |
| Jun 96 | 69.60 | 68.05 | 69.08 | —0.05 | 20,124 |
| Jul 96 | 66.00 | 65.00 | 65.70 | +0.35 | 12,754 |
| Aug 96 | 62.50 | 61.35 | 61.90 | +0.05 | 8,093 |
| Sep 96 | 59.30 | 58.80 | 58.80 | —0.15 | 3,936 |
| Oct 96 | 55.70 | 55.70 | 55.70 | +0.10 | 1,089 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 33,948
Fri's open int 73,364 off 183

**BRENT OIL (IPE)** U.S. dollars per barrel - lots of 1 000 barrels

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 21.98 | 21.27 | 21.83 | +0.08 | 17,781 |
| June 96 | 20.48 | 19.52 | 20.40 | +0.45 | 72,487 |
| July 96 | 18.98 | 18.20 | 18.98 | +0.40 | 49,169 |
| Aug 96 | 18.10 | 17.65 | 18.12 | +0.27 | 18,825 |
| Sep 96 | 17.51 | 17.25 | 17.61 | +0.21 | 12,704 |
| Oct 96 | 17.23 | 17.00 | 17.33 | +0.21 | 5,909 |
| Nov 96 | 17.06 | 17.04 | 17.15 | +0.20 | 3,659 |
| Dec 96 | 16.90 | 16.69 | 16.99 | +0.19 | 10,764 |
| Jan 97 | 16.79 | 16.79 | 16.88 | +0.20 | 10,014 |
| Feb 97 | N.T. | N.T. | 16.78 | +0.21 | 4,459 |
| Mar 97 | N.T. | N.T. | 16.68 | +0.21 | 712 |

Est. sales 58,902. Open int. 208,293 off 9,196

**GASOIL (IPE)** U.S. dollars per metric ton - lots of 100 tons

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 96 | 184.25 | 179.50 | 184.25 | —1.50 | 18,757 |
| Jun 96 | 174.25 | 170.75 | 174.00 | —1.75 | 11,736 |
| July 96 | 168.00 | 165.80 | 168.00 | —2.00 | 6,755 |
| Aug 96 | 163.75 | 161.75 | 163.75 | —2.00 | 5,903 |
| Sep 96 | 162.50 | 160.50 | 162.25 | —2.00 | 2,226 |
| Oct 96 | 162.75 | 160.50 | 162.50 | —2.00 | 1,110 |
| Nov 96 | 162.50 | 160.75 | 162.25 | —2.00 | 1,018 |
| Dec 96 | 162.50 | 161.25 | 162.75 | —2.00 | 6,441 |
| Jan 96 | N.T. | N.T. | 162.00 | —2.00 | 300 |

Est. sales: 11,426. Open int.: 54,505

**Stock Indexes**

**S&P COMP. INDEX (CMER)** 500 x index

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun 96 | 645.40 | 640.95 | 645.50 | +4.60 | 175,832 |
| Sep 96 | 650.80 | 646.40 | 650.80 | +4.80 | 5,341 |
| Dec 96 | 656.40 | 652.00 | 655.05 | +3.60 | 2,713 |

Est. sales N.A. Fri's. sales 74,979
Fri's open int 184,037

**FTSE 100 (LIFFE)** £25 per index point

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jun96 | 3802.0 | 3776.0 | 3798.0 | + 28.0 | 59,896 |
| Sep96 | N.T. | N.T. | 3808.0 | + 28.0 | 2,435 |
| Dec96 | N.T. | N.T. | 3825.0 | + 30.0 | |

Est. sales: 9,046. Prev. sales: 10,205
Prev. open int.: 62,362 up 151

**CAC 40 (MATIF)** FF200 per index point

| | High | Low | Close | Chge | Opint |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Apr 96 | 2098.0 | 2075.0 | 2080.0 | +0.5 | 34,295 |
| May 96 | 2084.0 | 2073.0 | 2069.5 | +0.5 | 5,472 |
| Jun 96 | 2066.0 | 2047.5 | 2049.5 | +0.5 | 24,351 |
| Sep 96 | 2078.0 | 2078.0 | 2061.5 | +1.0 | 9,158 |
| Mar 97 | 2120.0 | 2115.0 | 2105.0 | +0.5 | 2,615 |
| Sep 97 | 2114.0 | 2109.0 | 2099.0 | +1.0 | 2,785 |

Est. volume: 12,949. Open int.: 79,676 up 5,455.

**Commodity Indexes**

| | Close | Previous |
|---|---|---|
| Moody's | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Reuters | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| D.J. Futures | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| CRB | [illegible] | [illegible] |

## EUROPE

# Bank of Ireland Sets English Expansion With Thrift Purchase

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

LONDON — Bank of Ireland agreed Monday to buy Bristol & West Building Society of Britain for £600 million ($907.5 million).

Currently the second-biggest Irish bank, Bank of Ireland said the acquisition would give it assets of £29 billion and 650 branches. That would make it the largest Irish bank, based on assets.

Allied Irish Bank, at this point the largest Irish bank, had assets of £24.6 billion as of Dec. 31.

Bristol & West becomes the seventh of Britain's 10 largest building societies, which are mortgage institutions owned by their customers, to abandon the sector, either by converting to a bank or being taken over in the last 18 months.

Bristol & West, Britain's ninth-largest building society, has a strong presence in the mortgage market in Southwestern England.

"Strategically, this is a very important move for the Bank of Ireland because we're stepping out beyond our home base in a way that creates a new platform for growth," Howard Kilroy, governor of the Bank of Ireland, said. The bank's governor is equivalent to a chairman at other banks.

The bank's shares in London rose 19 pence, or 4.3 percent, to close at 458 pence.

Pat Molloy, Bank of Ireland's chief executive, said the bank would consider acquiring other British building societies but not outside Bristol & West's traditional base in Southwest England.

The takeover, expected to be completed in late 1997, is subject to approval by shareholders or members of both groups and by the Building Societies Commission.

The Bank of Ireland said it would pay in cash, and would distribute the money or preference shares to about 1.1 million investors, employees and retirees. The price is about 1.67 times book value. Last year, Abbey National PLC's announced the acquisition of National & Provincial Building Society at 1.84 times book value and Lloyds Bank PLC bought Cheltenham & Gloucester Building Society at 1.7 times book value.

Rob Thomas, a building societies analyst with UBS Ltd., said the price was about 12 times Bristol & West's 1995 earnings after tax and exceptional items. He added that Bristol & West should be able to reduce bad and doubtful debt in coming years and also reduce costs.

But Standard & Poor's Corp., the credit-rating agency, said it was reviewing Bank of Ireland's A senior debt rating with negative implications because of worries about the capital structure of the combined bank. S&P did say, however, that it thought the business rationale for the deal was sound. *(Bloomberg, Reuters)*

## EU Sets Conditions On Telecom Venture

*Bloomberg Business News*

BRUSSELS — The European Commission said Monday it had demanded that Sweden, Switzerland, Spain and the Netherlands open their telecommunications markets more quickly than previously stipulated as a condition for EU approval of an alliance between their phone companies and AT&T Corp.

The EU's executive agency said it could only clear the so-called Uniworld alliance if the European countries involved allow new entities, such as utilities and rail companies, to compete for business services beginning July 1. Under EU rules, they must allow competition in all telephone services by 1998.

The commission said it would also insist that AT&T, the biggest U.S. long-distance company, give European operators outside the Uniworld alliance access to its trans-Atlantic phone network.

Uniworld is a venture that groups AT&T and the European joint venture called Unisource, which involves Swiss Telecom PTT, Royal PTT Nederland NV, Telefónica de España and Telia AB of Sweden.

An EU veto of the alliance would be a major setback for AT&T's European expansion plans.

# UBS Digs In for a Showdown

## *Analysts Doubt Maverick Can Block Succession*

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

ZURICH — Union Bank of Switzerland is said by analysts to be almost certain to defeat the challenge by its largest minority shareholder, BK Vision AG's chairman, Martin Ebner, at the annual meeting scheduled for Tuesday.

Mr. Ebner's motions to block the election of Robert Studer as UBS chairman and other UBS nominees to the bank's board are likely to fail, although only by a modest margin, analysts said.

The meeting in a Zurich sports stadium is expected to draw about 4,500 shareholders and comes six days after the UBS board unanimously rejected a merger proposal by its arch-rival CS Holding.

UBS will need only a simple majority to defeat Mr. Ebner at the annual meeting, unlike the two-thirds majority it needed and narrowly failed to achieve at its meeting in November 1994 that was held to approve the introduction of a single-share structure.

"It is pretty certain that Ebner will be defeated on Tuesday, but it should still be a tight decision depending on shareholder turnout," said Hans Kaufmann, chief analyst at Bank Julius Baer.

Mr. Kaufmann said "sentiment has changed" against Mr. Ebner among many large and small UBS shareholders following the breakdown of merger talks between UBS and CS Holding AG and because of a growing perception of Mr. Ebner as a corporate raider.

"I've been getting letters from shareholders who said they were initially supportive of Ebner, but now will vote for the UBS board," he said.

One dealer at a Swiss bank who had previously felt that Mr. Ebner could garner enough votes to defeat Mr. Studer said he now believes that Mr. Ebner is almost certain to lose the vote on Tuesday.

He said UBS bearer shares had closed 10 Swiss francs lower, at 1,274 francs, on Friday on speculation that Mr. Ebner may begin selling his 5 percent stake in UBS if he is defeated at the meeting.

"The market is now sure that Ebner will be defeated and could start selling off his shares," he said.

UBS shares were not traded on Monday.

Christoph Blocher, the EMS-Chemie Holding AG chairman, who has close links with Mr. Ebner and is chairman of one of Mr. Ebner's investment funds, said that he expected Mr. Studer to be elected to the UBS board.

"Studer will be elected just for the simple reason of how the proxy system works in Switzerland," he said.

Mr. Blocher also said Mr. Ebner may decide to sell his UBS stake if he is defeated at the meeting.

Mr. Kaufmann said that even if UBS does prevail at the meeting, the bank will be forced to address Mr. Ebner's criticism of UBS's low return on equity and seeming disregard to shareholder value.

When UBS rejected the CS Holding merger, which could have led to as many as 20,000 job cuts, it cited financial and political reasons. That bolstered its opposition to Mr. Ebner, whose belt-tightening earnings proposals would also lead to job cuts.

In newspaper interviews over the weekend, Nikolaus Senn, the retiring chairman, said he expected Mr. Studer to win "comfortably." He had previously forecast a "narrow" victory for Mr. Studer.

Mr. Senn also repeated that CS Holding, parent of Crédit Suisse and CS First Boston, would have been the wrong merger partner because it has not finished integrating two Swiss banks it purchased in recent years. *(AFX, Bloomberg)*

# Porsche Warns on German Sales

*Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches*

STUTTGART — Porsche AG reported on Monday a record monthly revenue figure, but the sports-car maker warned that its sales within Germany were like to slump.

The company, known formally as Dr. Ing. h.c.F Porsche AG, said overall deliveries rose 33 percent in March from a year ago, to a record 2,095 units. The previous record for monthly vehicle deliveries was 2,007 vehicles.

Porsche's preferred stock closed at 850 Deutsche marks ($565.99), up 8 DM. The common equity is family held.

The company has said it expects sales to rise by 7 percent, to about 18,500 units in the year to July 31, from 17,268 in the last financial year.

But Porsche said that a new German tax on company cars would hurt its domestic sales. The company took 15 percent fewer domestic orders in March than it had expected.

"Porsche expects sales within Germany to fall sharply within the next few months," the company said. Overall sales are rising, Porsche said, because of "an excellent situation on export markets," particularly in the United States.

The company returned to profit in 1995, posting net earnings of 2.1 million DM, reversing a loss of 150 million DM in the 1994 financial year. Porsche earned a profit of 10 million DM in the first half of the current financial year.

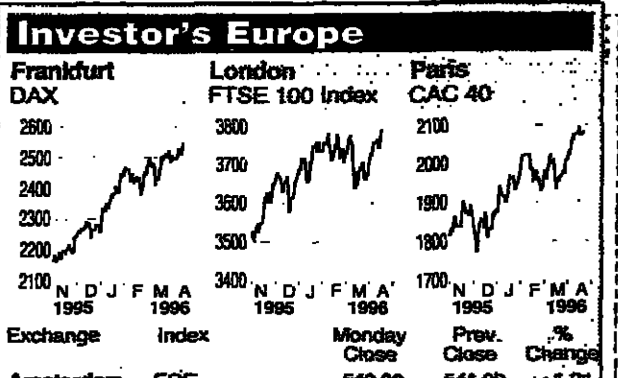
### ■ DAX Index Hits Record

Germany's DAX stock index closed at a record as the dollar rose to a 14-month high against the Deutsche mark, Bloomberg Business News reported from Frankfurt.

The benchmark index of 30 shares closed at 2,545.94, up 34.16 points, or just over 1 percent.

"There is a good chance we will get over 2,550 this week," said Werner Dietkötter, the head trader with Deutsche Girozentrale Kommunalbank. "The dollar is holding over 1.50 and could get up to 1.52."

## Investor's Europe




| Exchange | Index | Monday Close | Prev. Close | % Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amsterdam | EOE | 549.00 | 541.90 | +1.31 |
| Brussels | Stock Exchange | 8,994.09 | 8,954.43 | +0.44 |
| Frankfurt | DAX | 2,545.94 | 2,511.78 | +1.36 |
| Copenhagen | Stock Market | 392.77 | 391.40 | +0.35 |
| Helsinki | HEX General | 1,839.34 | 1,821.48 | +0.98 |
| Oslo | OBX | 447.74 | 444.94 | +0.63 |
| London | FTSE 100 | 3,790.50 | 3,766.80 | +0.63 |
| Madrid | Stock Exchange | 349.48 | 347.02 | +0.71 |
| Milan | MIBTEL | 9,812.00 | 9,799.00 | +0.13 |
| Paris | CAC 40 | 2,080.56 | 2,074.74 | +0.28 |
| Stockholm | SX 16 | 2,012.20 | 1,988.64 | +1.18 |
| Vienna | ATX | 1,094.54 | 1,080.85 | +1.27 |
| Zurich | SPI | 2,295.62 | 2,290.32 | +0.23 |

Source: Telekurs International Herald Tribune

## Very briefly:

- **The European Bank for Reconstruction and Development's** 60 member countries and institutions unanimously approved a capital increase of 10 billion ecus ($12.66 billion).
- **Britain** will sell all of **Railtrack**, which operates the nation's railroad tracks, instead of the planned 51 percent stake; shares will be sold on the London Stock Exchange beginning May 1. Critics worry about the safety implications of turning over the rails to investors looking for profits.
- **The Building Employers Confederation** of Britain warned that sluggish growth in the construction industry could lead to 20,000 job cuts in 1996.
- **Hardy Oil & Gas PLC**, a British explorer, is to sell its U.S. subsidiary, Hardy Oil & Gas USA Inc., to the unit's managers for $179 million in a transaction financed by **Enron Corp.**
- **ADtranz**, the light-rail joint venture between **Daimler-Benz AG** of Germany and **ABB Asea Brown Boveri Ltd.** of Switzerland has signed a cooperation agreement with **Hitachi Ltd.** of Japan.
- **Airbus Industrie and General Electric Co.** of the United States have signed an exclusive contract to make a joint study of the kind of engines that would be needed to power a stretched version of the four-motor A-340 airplane.
- **Eurotunnel's** individual shareholders are to demonstrate at the company's headquarters in Calais on May 8 in an effort to keep creditor banks from taking over the company.
- **Skoda Automobilova AS**, the Czech unit of **Volkswagen AG**, produced a record 69,912 cars in the first quarter, up 72 percent from the like period of last year; in March, the company produced 24,332 cars, up 86 percent.
- **Mediobanca SpA** said its 10-year zero-coupon bond issue had closed oversubscribed. *AFP, AFX, AP, Bloomberg, Reuters*

# WORLD STOCK MARKETS

**Monday, April 15**
Prices in local currencies.
*Telekurs*

### Amsterdam

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| ABN-AMRO | 83.50 | 82.70 | 83.30 | 82.30 |
| Aegon | 83 | 82 | 82.90 | 81.70 |
| Ahold | 87.90 | 86.30 | 86.30 | 85 |
| Akzo Nobel | 188.20 | 187.10 | 187.30 | 186.80 |
| Bols Wess cva | 35.20 | 33.50 | 34.90 | 33.10 |
| CSM cva | 81.90 | 81 | 80.50 | 81.20 |
| Dordtsche Pet | 259.80 | 257.70 | 259.30 | 257.30 |
| DSM | 160.70 | 159.50 | 159.70 | 159.60 |
| Elsevier | 27.90 | 26.60 | 27.70 | 26.50 |
| Fortis Amev | 121.30 | 119.20 | 121.30 | 119 |
| G-Broc cva | 55 | 53.90 | 55 | 52.90 |
| Hagemeyer | 113.50 | 109.50 | 112.50 | 110 |
| Heineken | 370 | 367.70 | 368.10 | 366 |
| Hoogovens | 62.70 | 61.90 | 62.20 | 62 |
| Hunt Douglas | 109.80 | 108.50 | 109 | 108 |
| ING cva | 121.80 | 119.50 | 121.30 | 118.90 |
| KLM | 59.20 | 58.30 | 58.60 | 58.60 |
| KNP BT | 43.20 | 42.30 | 42.80 | 42.70 |
| KPN | 65.50 | 64.80 | 65.40 | 64.70 |
| Nedlloyd Gp | 35 | 33.80 | 34.50 | 33.80 |
| Nutricia | 173 | 169.80 | 171.50 | 169.40 |
| Oce Grinten | 163.90 | 162.50 | 163.30 | 162.90 |
| Pakhoed | 47 | 45.60 | 47 | 45.80 |
| Philips Elec | 61.40 | 59.80 | 60.20 | 59.20 |
| Polygram | 104 | 101.50 | 103.60 | 103 |
| Randstad Hdg | 103.70 | 101.50 | 102.50 | 103 |
| Robeco | 125.80 | 125.70 | 125.80 | 124.60 |
| Rodamco | 47.10 | 46.90 | 46.90 | 47.20 |
| Rolinco | 134.50 | 134.20 | 134.20 | 133.30 |
| Rorento | 95.20 | 95.20 | 95.20 | 94.50 |
| Royal Dutch | 247.70 | 246.40 | 247 | 246.50 |
| Stork | 48 | 47.10 | 48 | 47.30 |
| Unilever cva | 226.40 | 224.60 | 225.50 | 224.40 |
| VNU | 31 | 29.30 | 31 | 30 |
| Wolters Kl cva | 196 | 191.80 | 193.70 | 192.30 |

EOE Index: 549.80
Previous: 541.90

### Frankfurt

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMB | 865 | 849 | 850 | 840 |
| AEG | 167 | 167 | 167 | 165 |
| Allianz Hdg | 2720 | 2686 | 2698 | 2685 |
| Altana | 952 | 938 | 952 | 944 |
| Asko Deutsche | 932 | 928 | 931 | 930.50 |
| Badenwerk | 510.50 | 510.50 | 510 | 510 |
| BASF | 424 | 418 | 424 | 413.80 |
| Bayer Hypo Bk | 37.65 | 37.43 | 37.59 | 37.15 |
| Bay.Vereinsbank | 46.05 | 45.90 | 46 | 45.85 |
| Bayer | 514 | 510.10 | 514 | 508.90 |
| Berliner Kraft | 415 | 410 | 415 | 409 |
| BHF Bank | 40 | 39.85 | 39.95 | 39.78 |
| BMW | 835 | 829 | 835 | 819 |
| CKAG Colonia | 1110 | 1105 | 1105 | 1120 |
| Commerzbank | 339 | 337.70 | 338.30 | 337.20 |
| Daimler Benz | 829.50 | 827.50 | 829.30 | 815 |
| Degussa | 557.50 | 551 | 551 | 552 |
| Deutsche Bank | 76 | 75.80 | 76 | 75.23 |
| Dresdner Bank | 39.95 | 39.85 | 39.90 | 39.48 |
| Heidelbg Zmt | 980 | 978 | 980 | 980 |
| Henkel | 574 | 555 | 574 | 542.50 |
| Hochtief | 614 | 610 | 612 | 609 |
| Hoechst | 521.70 | 517 | 520.50 | 516.30 |
| Holzmann Ph. | 545 | 544 | 544 | 544 |
| Karstadt | 554 | 548 | 550 | 550 |
| Kaufhof Hdg | 495 | 490 | 493 | 487.50 |
| Linde | 969 | 965 | 969 | 960 |
| Lufthansa ord | 246.50 | 246 | 246.50 | 243.20 |
| MAN | 434 | 430 | 433 | 425.80 |
| Mannesmann | 560 | 556 | 559 | 551 |
| Muench Rueck | 3000 | 2985 | 2995 | 2970 |
| Preussag | 424.50 | 422.80 | 424.50 | 418 |
| PWA | 222 | 218 | 219.70 | 221 |
| RWE | 61.20 | 60.45 | 61.10 | 59.60 |
| SAP pfd | 199.80 | 194 | 196 | 190 |
| Schering | 117 | 116.40 | 116.90 | 115.70 |
| Schmalb Lub | 237 | 234 | 234 | 240 |
| Siemens | 831.80 | 829.50 | 830.80 | 818.80 |
| Suedzucker | 727 | 720 | 726 | 728 |
| Thyssen | 282.50 | 279.70 | 282 | 277.80 |
| Veba | 77.50 | 77.25 | 77.43 | 76.50 |
| VEW | 486 | 471 | 486 | 472 |
| Viag | 603 | 592 | 592.40 | 618.30 |
| Volkswagen | 548.50 | 545.70 | 547.50 | 538.30 |
| Wella | 748 | 720 | 731 | 714 |

DAX Index: 2545.94
Previous: 2511.78

### Johannesburg

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AngloAm-Corp | 263 | 259 | 263 | 259.50 |
| AngloAm Gold | 417 | 416 | 416 | 417.50 |
| AngloAm Ind | 188 | 188 | 188 | 188 |
| Barlow | 47.75 | 47.75 | 47.75 | 47.25 |
| C.G. Smith | 23.25 | 23.25 | 23.25 | 23.25 |
| De Beers | 130 | 128.50 | 130 | 128 |
| Driefontein | 65.25 | 65 | 65.25 | 65.50 |
| Freegold | 41.50 | 41.25 | 41.50 | 41.75 |
| Fst Natl Bk | 33 | 32.75 | 32.75 | 33.50 |
| Gencor | 16 | 15.80 | 15.80 | 16 |
| GFSA | 137.50 | 137.50 | 137.50 | 137 |
| Iscor | 3.85 | 3.75 | 3.85 | 3.75 |
| Johnnies Ind | 53.50 | 53.50 | 53.50 | 53.50 |
| Kloof Gold | 49.50 | 49.25 | 49.25 | 50 |
| Liberty Life | 123.50 | 123.50 | 123.50 | 124.50 |
| Nedcor | 62 | 61.50 | 61.50 | 62 |
| Rembrandt Gp | 34 | 33.75 | 33.75 | 33.75 |
| Richemont | 56.75 | 56 | 56 | 57 |
| Rust Platinum | 71 | 70 | 70 | 71 |
| SA Breweries | 127.25 | 123.75 | 127 | 123.50 |
| Sappi | 52.50 | 52 | 52.50 | 52.50 |
| Sasol | 41.25 | 39.45 | 41.25 | 39.45 |
| SBIC | 175 | 175 | 175 | 176.50 |
| Tiger Oats | 57.25 | 56.50 | 57 | 57 |

All Market Index: 6499.40
Previous: 6469.57

### Kuala Lumpur

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Genting | 22.40 | 22 | 22.10 | 21.90 |
| Hicom Hldgs | 6.60 | 6.20 | 6.60 | 6.25 |
| Mal Banking | 23.80 | 23.60 | 23.60 | 23.70 |
| Mal Intl Ship F | 7.60 | 7.50 | 7.50 | 7.50 |
| Public Bank F | 7.25 | 7.20 | 7.25 | 7.20 |
| Resorts World | 14.90 | 14.50 | 14.80 | 14.70 |
| Sime Darby | 7 | 6.95 | 6.95 | 6.95 |
| Telekom Mal | 23.30 | 22 | 23.30 | 23.30 |
| Tenaga | 10.80 | 10.50 | 10.60 | 10.70 |
| Utd Engineers | 17.40 | 17.20 | 17.30 | 17.40 |

Composite Index: 1160.48
Previous: 1150.24

### London

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abbey Natl | 5.94 | 5.71 | 5.78 | 5.69 |
| Allied Domecq | 4.95 | 4.87 | 4.93 | 4.89 |
| Anglian Water | 6.02 | 5.92 | 5.92 | 6 |
| Argyll Group | 3.34 | 3.28 | 3.33 | 3.29 |
| Arjo Wiggins | 1.89 | 1.83 | 1.87 | 1.82 |
| Asda Group | 1.09 | 1.06 | 1.08 | 1.06 |
| Assoc Br Foods | 4.05 | 4 | 4.05 | 4.04 |
| BAA | 5.68 | 5.45 | 5.46 | 5.42 |
| Barclays | 7.54 | 7.30 | 7.36 | 7.31 |
| Bass | 7.67 | 7.58 | 7.67 | 7.52 |
| BAT Ind | 4.98 | 4.93 | 4.94 | 4.94 |
| Bank Scotland | 2.57 | 2.34 | 2.57 | 2.54 |
| BICC | 3.47 | 3.41 | 3.47 | 3.42 |
| Blue Circle | 3.68 | 3.36 | 3.63 | 3.65 |
| BOC Group | 9.20 | 9.02 | 9.19 | 9.02 |
| Boots | 6.24 | 6.16 | 6.22 | 6.07 |
| Rexam | 4.07 | 3.95 | 4.05 | 4.04 |
| BPB Ind | 3.42 | 3.37 | 3.42 | 3.39 |
| Brit Aerosp | 8.85 | 8.70 | 8.78 | 8.68 |
| Brit Airways | 5.34 | 5.26 | 5.31 | 5.37 |
| Brit Gas | 2.43 | 2.39 | 2.42 | 2.40 |
| Brit Petm | 5.97 | 5.92 | 5.97 | 5.97 |
| Brit Steel | 1.91 | 1.87 | 1.90 | 1.89 |
| Brit Telecom | 3.75 | 3.43 | 3.70 | 3.69 |
| BTR | 3.33 | 3.09 | 3.20 | 3.17 |
| Burmah Cast | 10.48 | 10.38 | 10.46 | 10.43 |
| Cable Wireless | 5.31 | 5.06 | 5.23 | 5.40 |
| Cadbury Schw | 5.20 | 5.03 | 5.09 | 5.04 |
| Caradon | 2.26 | 2.22 | 2.25 | 2.26 |
| Carlton Comm | 4.82 | 4.78 | 4.81 | 4.81 |
| Coats Viyella | 2.03 | 2 | 2 | 2.02 |
| Comml Union | 6.10 | 5.83 | 5.89 | 5.86 |
| Courtaulds | 4.54 | 4.45 | 4.52 | 4.50 |
| De La Rue | 7.19 | 7.07 | 7.16 | 7.10 |
| Eng China Cl | 3.15 | 2.97 | 3.11 | 2.97 |
| Enterprise Oil | 4.55 | 4.50 | 4.54 | 4.48 |
| Fors Colonial | 1.62 | 1.59 | 1.62 | 1.59 |
| Genl Accident | 6.40 | 6.33 | 6.38 | 6.34 |
| GEC | 3.78 | 3.63 | 3.67 | 3.69 |
| GKN | 9.82 | 9.70 | 9.77 | 9.78 |
| Glaxo | 8.18 | 7.91 | 8.03 | 7.85 |
| Granada Gp | 8.07 | 8 | 8.07 | 7.98 |
| Grand Met | 4.47 | 4.29 | 4.45 | 4.25 |
| GRE | 2.36 | 2.32 | 2.35 | 2.33 |
| Guinness | 4.73 | 4.60 | 4.65 | 4.59 |
| GUS | 7.20 | 7.12 | 7.17 | 7.05 |
| Hanson | 1.89 | 1.85 | 1.87 | 1.86 |
| Hillsdown Hdg | 1.79 | 1.76 | 1.76 | 1.76 |
| HSBC Hldgs | 10.02 | 9.97 | 10.02 | 9.81 |
| ICI | 9.50 | 9.13 | 9.27 | 9.23 |
| Inchcape | 3.03 | 2.94 | 3 | 2.95 |
| Kingfisher | 6.21 | 5.93 | 5.95 | 6 |
| Ladbroke | 1.89 | 1.83 | 1.86 | 1.83 |
| Land Sec | 6.40 | 6.30 | 6.39 | 6.31 |
| Laporte | 7 | 6.93 | 6.97 | 6.97 |
| Lasmo | 1.89 | 1.86 | 1.89 | 1.85 |
| Legal Genl Grp | 7 | 6.95 | 6.96 | 6.98 |
| Lloyds Abbey | 5.40 | 5.33 | 5.38 | 5.34 |
| Lloyds TSB Gp | 3.29 | 3.22 | 3.28 | 3.20 |
| London Elec | 8.10 | 7.90 | 7.90 | 8.12 |
| Lucas Ind | 2.15 | 1.88 | 2.13 | 2.10 |
| Marks Spencer | 4.44 | 4.38 | 4.42 | 4.37 |
| MEPC | 4.85 | 4 | 4.83 | 4.81 |
| Mercury Asset | 9.15 | 9 | 9.01 | 9.14 |
| Midlands Elec | 4.08 | 3.92 | 3.97 | 4.02 |
| Natl Power | 5 | 4.88 | 4.89 | 4.94 |
| NatWest | 6.63 | 6.37 | 6.40 | 6.33 |
| News Intl | 3.38 | 3.32 | 3.35 | 3.30 |
| Utd Utilities | 6.07 | 5.98 | 6.06 | 6 |
| Nthern Foods | 1.77 | 1.72 | 1.73 | 1.77 |
| P&O | 5.35 | 5.11 | 5.19 | 5.13 |
| Pearson | 7.34 | 7.27 | 7.29 | 7.34 |
| Pilkington | 2.17 | 2.13 | 2.16 | 2.16 |
| Powergreen | 5.68 | 5.57 | 5.57 | 5.62 |
| Prudential | 4.40 | 4.36 | 4.38 | 4.40 |
| Rank Org | 5.27 | 5.18 | 5.24 | 5.15 |
| Reckitt Colm | 6.92 | 6.85 | 6.89 | 6.84 |
| Redland | 4.15 | 4.01 | 4.07 | 4 |
| Reed Intl | 12.07 | 11.75 | 11.92 | 11.83 |
| Rentokil | 3.55 | 3.51 | 3.53 | 3.52 |
| Reuters Hdgs | 7.62 | 7.45 | 7.52 | 7.57 |
| RMC Group | 11.05 | 10.70 | 10.93 | 10.67 |
| Rolls Royce | 2.28 | 2.25 | 2.25 | 2.26 |
| Royal Bk Scot | 5.06 | 5 | 5.02 | 4.97 |
| RTZ reg | 10.28 | 9.98 | 10.07 | 9.93 |
| Royal Insur | 3.68 | 3.55 | 3.60 | 3.57 |
| Sainsbury | 3.80 | 3.72 | 3.78 | 3.75 |
| Schroders | 12.30 | 12.21 | 12.30 | 12.28 |
| Scot Newcastle | 6.67 | 6.62 | 6.65 | 6.62 |
| Scot Power | 3.65 | 3.55 | 3.62 | 3.51 |
| Sears | 0.99 | 0.94 | 0.99 | 0.97 |
| Severn Trent | 6.04 | 5.88 | 5.88 | 5.97 |
| Shell Trsp reg | 9.08 | 8.78 | 8.82 | 8.83 |
| Siebe | 8.72 | 8.63 | 8.67 | 8.68 |
| Smith Nephew | 1.82 | 1.80 | 1.82 | 1.80 |
| Smith (WH) | 4.90 | 4.84 | 4.87 | 4.84 |
| SmithKline clA | 6.58 | 6.37 | 6.44 | 6.44 |
| Smiths Ind | 6.95 | 6.90 | 6.94 | 7.02 |
| Sthern Elec | 8.96 | 8.83 | 8.94 | 8.95 |
| Stand Charter | 6.28 | 6.23 | 6.25 | 6.36 |
| Sun Alliance | 3.66 | 3.62 | 3.63 | 3.62 |
| Tate & Lyle | 4.98 | 4.94 | 4.94 | 4.96 |
| Tesco | 2.94 | 2.88 | 2.92 | 2.88 |
| Thames Water | 5.73 | 5.64 | 5.68 | 5.70 |
| Thorn EMI | 17.89 | 17.62 | 17.81 | 17.75 |
| 3i Group | 4.39 | 4.35 | 4.37 | 4.34 |
| TI Group | 5.27 | 5.20 | 5.26 | 5.24 |
| Tomkins | 2.73 | 2.65 | 2.68 | 2.66 |
| Unilever | 12.09 | 11.75 | 11.82 | 11.77 |
| Utd Biscuits | 2.43 | 2.36 | 2.36 | 2.36 |
| Utd News | 6.89 | 6.80 | 6.80 | 6.90 |
| Vendome uts | 5.69 | 5.64 | 5.69 | 5.63 |
| Vodafone | 2.62 | 2.39 | 2.59 | 2.56 |
| Whitbread | 7.18 | 7.14 | 7.17 | 7.12 |
| Williams Hdgs | 3.30 | 3.23 | 3.28 | 3.21 |
| Wolseley | 4.75 | 4.68 | 4.72 | 4.70 |
| Zeneca | 13.72 | 13.62 | 13.63 | 13.68 |

FT-SE 100 Index: 3790.50
Previous: 3766.80

## Markets Closed

Stock markets in Bangkok and Zurich were closed Monday for a holiday.

### Bombay

Friday, April 12

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Assoc Cement | 3915 | 3850 | 3900 | 3855 |
| Grasim Ind | 580 | 565 | 575 | 575 |
| Hindalco Ind | 1175 | 1150 | 1170 | 1155 |
| Indust Lever | 720 | 715 | 715 | 715 |
| Indian Hotels | 755 | 745 | 750 | 755 |
| ITC | 249 | 241 | 246 | 246 |
| Larsen Toubro | 252 | 248 | 251 | 249 |
| Reliance Ind | 218 | 207.50 | 217.50 | 209.50 |
| Tata Eng Loco | 444 | 442 | 444 | 444 |
| Tata Iron St | 216.50 | 212.50 | 215.50 | 214 |

Sensitive Index: 3487.51
Previous: 3464.33

### Brussels

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Arbed | 3530 | 3475 | 3500 | 3475 |
| Barco Ind | 4820 | 4650 | 4820 | 4630 |
| BBL | 5900 | 5860 | 5870 | 5880 |
| Bekaert | 26500 | 26100 | 26400 | 26100 |
| CBR | 12325 | 12250 | 12275 | 12275 |
| CMB | 2565 | 2475 | 2550 | 2490 |
| Cockerill | 178 | 175 | 178 | 176 |
| Colruyt | 10425 | 10200 | 10325 | 10175 |
| Delhaize Lion | 1440 | 1420 | 1438 | 1404 |
| Electrabel | 7000 | 6980 | 6990 | 6990 |
| Electrafina | 3015 | 2985 | 3015 | 3005 |
| Fortis AG | 3880 | 3835 | 3860 | 3840 |
| GIB | 1450 | 1422 | 1448 | 1416 |
| GBL | 4135 | 4120 | 4130 | 4100 |
| Gen Banque | 10875 | 10800 | 10800 | 10800 |
| Glaverbel | 3820 | 3750 | 3775 | 3770 |
| Kredietbank | 8570 | 8510 | 8570 | 8500 |
| Mosane | 2160 | 2160 | 2160 | 2155 |
| Petrofina | 8950 | 8820 | 8880 | 8800 |
| Powerfin | 4210 | 4200 | 4200 | 4185 |
| Recticel | 322 | 320 | 320 | 322 |
| Royale Belge | 6440 | 6370 | 6410 | 6400 |
| Soc Gen Belg | 2450 | 2435 | 2450 | 2445 |
| Solvay | 18150 | 17950 | 18050 | 18050 |
| Tessenderlo | 12250 | 12200 | 12200 | 13250 |
| Tractebel | 12900 | 12725 | 12850 | 12775 |
| UCB | 55100 | 54500 | 54900 | 54300 |
| Union Miniere | 2340 | 2260 | 2320 | 2265 |

Stock Exchange Index: 8994.09
Previous: 8954.43

### Copenhagen

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Carlsberg B | 342.45 | 334 | 337 | 328 |
| Danisco | 293 | 288 | 290 | 292 |
| Den Danske Bk | 386 | 374 | 385 | 380.43 |
| D/S Svendborg A | 181000 | 181000 | 181000 | 180000 |
| D/S 1912 A | 127000 | 126000 | 126000 | 126000 |
| East Asiatic Co | 127.15 | 123 | 125 | 124.20 |
| FLS Ind B | 530 | 520 | 530 | 525 |
| ISS Intl Svc B | 177 | 171 | 177 | 172 |
| Novo Nordisk B | 745.95 | 738 | 740 | 734 |
| Radiometer B | 426 | 420 | 420 | 425 |
| Sophus Ber B | 696 | 687 | 693 | 688 |
| Tele Danmk B | 286 | 282 | 285 | 281 |
| Unidanmark A | 281 | 274 | 280 | 275 |

Stock Market Index: 392.77
Previous: 391.40

### Helsinki

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cultor I | 205 | 203 | 205 | 203 |
| Enso-Gutzeit R | 33.60 | 32.70 | 33.50 | 32.90 |
| Huhtamaki IF | 158 | 153 | 157 | 155 |
| Kesko | 57 | 56.80 | 57 | 56.50 |
| Kone BF | 500 | 490 | 500 | 490 |
| Kymmene F | 132 | 130 | 132 | 130 |
| Merita A | 10.10 | 9.96 | 9.98 | 9.95 |
| Metra BF | 192 | 189 | 192 | 189 |
| Metso-Serla B | 140 | 138 | 140 | 138.50 |
| Nokia Prf F | 157 | 155 | 157 | 154.50 |
| Outokumpu A | 83 | 80 | 83 | 83 |
| Rautaruukki | 33.10 | 32.60 | 33 | 32.90 |
| Repola | 94.20 | 92.90 | 94.20 | 92.60 |
| Stockmann A | 250 | 250 | 250 | 250 |
| Valmet A | 111 | 105 | 110 | 104.70 |

HEX General Index: 1839.34
Previous: 1821.48

### Hong Kong

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amoy Props | 8.80 | 8.60 | 8.80 | 8.60 |
| Bk East Asia | 26.75 | 26.40 | 26.70 | 26.20 |
| Cathay Pacific | 12.85 | 12.75 | 12.75 | 12.75 |
| Cheung Kong | 55.75 | 54.50 | 54.75 | 54.75 |
| China Light | 35.50 | 34.60 | 35.40 | 34.50 |
| Chk Estates | 7 | 6.85 | 6.90 | 6.85 |
| Citic Pacific | 30.40 | 29.80 | 30.40 | 29.85 |
| Cons Elec Pwr | 12.85 | 12.60 | 12.85 | 12.50 |
| Dao Heng Bk | 32.40 | 31.50 | 32.40 | 31.60 |
| First Pacific | 10.60 | 10.50 | 10.60 | 10.45 |
| Great Eagle | 22.30 | 21.90 | 22.30 | 21.85 |
| Guangdong Inv | 5.10 | 4.78 | 4.83 | 4.93 |
| Guoco Group | 43.30 | 42.70 | 43.20 | 42.60 |
| Hang Lung | 14.80 | 14.65 | 14.75 | 14.70 |
| Hang Seng Bk | 79.75 | 79 | 79.25 | 79.25 |
| Henderson Inv | 6.95 | 6.85 | 6.90 | 6.90 |
| Henderson Ld | 55.50 | 54.75 | 55.50 | 55.35 |
| HKR Intl | 8.30 | 8.20 | 8.20 | 8.20 |
| HK Aircraft | 20.45 | 20.35 | 20.45 | 20.35 |
| HK China Gas | 12.75 | 12.35 | 12.70 | 15.30 |
| HK Electric | 25.20 | 24.90 | 24.95 | 24.90 |
| HK Shang Htls | 12.95 | 12.65 | 12.95 | 12.60 |
| HK Telecomm | 14.70 | 14.60 | 14.65 | 14.50 |
| Hopewell Hdgs | 4.68 | 4.58 | 4.68 | 4.60 |
| HSBC Hdgs | 117 | 115.50 | 116.50 | 115 |
| Hutchison Wh | 49.10 | 48.80 | 48.90 | 48.60 |
| Hysan Dev | 24.70 | 23.80 | 24.70 | 24 |
| Johnson El 500 | 17.15 | 16.80 | 17 | 16.75 |
| Miramar Hotel | 17.40 | 17.35 | 17.40 | 17.35 |
| Natl Mutual | 6.90 | 6.75 | 6.75 | 6.80 |
| New World | 35.30 | 34.70 | 35.30 | 34.50 |
| Oriental Press | 3.73 | 3.58 | 3.65 | 3.53 |
| Orient Telecom | 3.13 | 2.85 | 3.13 | 2.88 |
| Shangri-La | 10.50 | 10.35 | 10.50 | 10.55 |
| SHK Props | 73.50 | 72.50 | 73.25 | 72.50 |
| Shun Tak Hdgs | 5.65 | 5.60 | 5.60 | 5.60 |
| Sino Land Co. | 7.60 | 7.50 | 7.60 | 7.60 |
| Sth China Post | 5.10 | 4.98 | 5 | 4.98 |
| Swire Pac A | 64.75 | 63.25 | 63.75 | 63.25 |
| Tsim Sha Tsui | 9.10 | 8.95 | 9 | 9.10 |
| TV Broadcasts | 29.40 | 29.20 | 29.25 | 29.85 |
| Wharf Hdgs | 29.15 | 28.75 | 29.05 | 28.60 |
| Wheelock | 15.40 | 15.20 | 15.20 | 15.15 |

Hang Seng Index: 10949.60
Previous: 10849.80

### Jakarta

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Astra Intl | 2925 | 2900 | 2900 | 2925 |
| Barito Pacific | 2575 | 2325 | 2575 | 2300 |
| Gudang Garam | 32900 | 30800 | 32850 | 30500 |
| Indah Kiat | 2175 | 2100 | 2150 | 2175 |
| Indocement | 8375 | 8350 | 8375 | 8375 |
| Indofood | 10175 | 10000 | 10025 | 10075 |
| Indorayon | 2475 | 2375 | 2375 | 2425 |
| Indosat | 8350 | 8300 | 8350 | 8375 |
| Kalbe Farma | 7000 | 6925 | 6975 | 7000 |
| Sampoerna | 26500 | 25975 | 26425 | 25900 |

Composite Index: 613.00
Previous: 607.85

### Madrid

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Acerinox | 15350 | 15060 | 15110 | 15350 |
| ACESA | 1310 | 1280 | 1300 | 1285 |
| Argentaria | 5310 | 5230 | 5300 | 5240 |
| BBV | 4820 | 4770 | 4820 | 4760 |
| Banesto | 841 | 836 | 840 | 841 |
| Bankinter | 13180 | 12930 | 13170 | 12940 |
| Bco Centro Hisp | 2670 | 2650 | 2670 | 2660 |
| Bco Exterior | 3180 | 3100 | 3100 | 3195 |
| Bco Popular | 21200 | 21030 | 21050 | 20900 |
| Bco Santander | 6018 | 5950 | 6000 | 5930 |
| CEPSA | 3960 | 3905 | 3930 | 3985 |
| Corp Mapfre | 6550 | 6460 | 6490 | 6470 |
| Dragados | 1830 | 1805 | 1830 | 1790 |
| Endesa | 7340 | 7260 | 7340 | 7240 |
| FECSA | 832 | 828 | 829 | 826 |
| Fomento Const | 11360 | 11280 | 11350 | 11110 |
| Gas Natural | 23100 | 22510 | 22800 | 23000 |
| Hidroel Cantab | 4025 | 4005 | 4025 | 4005 |
| Iberdrola | 1190 | 1170 | 1180 | 1170 |
| Pryca | 2945 | 2880 | 2925 | 2865 |
| Repsol | 4625 | 4565 | 4580 | 4620 |
| Sevillana Elec | 919 | 901 | 915 | 908 |
| Tabacalera | 5790 | 5660 | 5700 | 5700 |
| Telefonica | 2035 | 2015 | 2030 | 2000 |
| Union Fenosa | 701 | 692 | 698 | 690 |
| Valenc Cement | 1425 | 1375 | 1425 | 1415 |

Stock Exchange Index: 347.82
Previous: 347.02

### Manila

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ayala A | 27 | 26 | 27 | 26.50 |
| Ayala Land | 41.50 | 40 | 41 | 40.50 |
| Manila Elec A | 156 | 154 | 155 | 156 |
| Metro Bank | 720 | 700 | 705 | 705 |
| Petron | 11.75 | 11.50 | 11.50 | 11.50 |
| Phil Long Dist | 1480 | 1460 | 1460 | 1480 |
| San Miguel A | 50 | 47.50 | 49 | 50 |
| San Miguel B | 88 | 86 | 87 | 85.50 |
| SM Prime Hdg | 7.90 | 7.70 | 7.90 | 8 |

PSE Index: 3000.60
Previous: 2987.49

### Mexico

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alfa A | 109.10 | 106.30 | 107.00 | 106.50 |
| Cemex B | 31.05 | 30.35 | 30.45 | 30.40 |
| Cifra C | 10.40 | 9.92 | 10.30 | 10.02 |
| Empresas ICA | 106.50 | 99.50 | 105.00 | 99.80 |
| Emp Moderna | 35.65 | 34.55 | 35.40 | 35.40 |
| Femsa | 24.30 | 23.80 | 24.10 | 23.80 |
| Gpo Carso A1 | 58.60 | 57.40 | 57.90 | 57.90 |
| Televisa CPO | 106.50 | 103.40 | 105.20 | 104.50 |
| TelMex L | 13.32 | 12.88 | 13.22 | 12.98 |
| Tribasa CPO | 26.40 | 25.10 | 26.10 | 25.10 |

Bolsa Index: 3204.69
Previous: 3174.85

### Milan

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alleanza Assic | 13880 | 13545 | 13640 | 13500 |
| Bca Comm Ital | 3400 | 3330 | 3340 | 3340 |
| Bca Naz Agricol | 949 | 930 | 935 | 930 |
| Bca Naz Lavoro | 12150 | 12000 | 12000 | 11950 |
| Bca di Roma | 1550 | 1520 | 1525 | 1510 |
| Bco Ambrosian | 4350 | 4280 | 4285 | 4215 |
| Benetton | 18970 | 18625 | 18950 | 18700 |
| Credito Italiano | 1869 | 1828 | 1836 | 1845 |
| Fiat | 5430 | 5300 | 5300 | 5340 |
| Fondiaria | 7140 | 6915 | 6955 | 6950 |
| Generali Assic | 37500 | 37000 | 37150 | 36950 |
| IFIL | 5140 | 5015 | 5090 | 5030 |
| Italcementi | 10650 | 10460 | 10590 | 10580 |
| Italgas | 4890 | 4765 | 4765 | 4730 |
| Mediobanca | 10530 | 10315 | 10380 | 10295 |
| Montedison | 1001 | 980 | 980 | 983 |
| Olivetti | 876 | 844 | 844 | 853 |
| Pirelli | 2350 | 2290 | 2290 | 2330 |
| RAS | 16940 | 16460 | 16540 | 16500 |
| Rinascente | 10270 | 10100 | 10150 | 10195 |
| S Paolo Torino | 9770 | 9490 | 9730 | 9500 |
| SME | 1729 | 1724 | 1725 | 1722 |
| Standa | 18200 | 18200 | 18200 | 18200 |
| Stet | 4700 | 4570 | 4575 | 4570 |
| Telecom Italia | 2685 | 2615 | 2620 | 2640 |
| Toro Assic | 20700 | 20000 | 20350 | 20300 |

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### Montreal

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alco I | 18 | 17.95 | 18 | 17⅞ |
| Bank Montreal | 32 | 31½ | 31.95 | 31½ |
| Bce Mob Com | 44¼ | 44¼ | 44¼ | 45 |
| Cdn Tire A | 16.70 | 16¼ | 16.70 | 16¼ |
| Cdn Util A | 25½ | 25.30 | 25.35 | 25⅜ |
| Cascades | 6.10 | 6 | 6.05 | 6 |
| CT Finl Svc | 26⅝ | 26⅝ | 26⅝ | 26⅞ |
| Extendicare | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36 |
| Gaz Metro | 15.20 | 15 | 15 | 15⅛ |
| Gt-West Lifeco | 31¼ | 31¼ | 31¼ | 31 |
| Hees Intl Bcp | 15½ | 15.20 | 15⅛ | 15⅛ |
| Hudsons Bay | 19.10 | 18.90 | 19.10 | 19 |
| Imasco | 25.55 | 24¾ | 25.55 | 24¾ |
| Investors Grp | 18 | 17⅞ | 18 | 18 |
| Loblaw Cos | 32.35 | 31.45 | 32.35 | 31⅝ |
| Molson A | 24.45 | 24.20 | 24.40 | 24¼ |
| Natl Bk Canada | 11.60 | 11.35 | 11.55 | 11⅛ |
| Oshawa A | 23½ | 23 | 23½ | 23½ |
| Pancdn Petlm | 51¼ | 51½ | 51½ | 51½ |
| Power Corp | 20½ | 20 | 20.40 | 20¼ |
| Power Finl | 34.35 | 34 | 34.35 | 34½ |
| Quebecor B | 20.95 | 20½ | 20.90 | 20⅝ |
| Rogers Comm B | 13.15 | 13.10 | 13.15 | 13 |
| Royal Bk Cda | 32.45 | 32.10 | 32.40 | 32½ |
| Sears Canada | 6⅝ | 6½ | 6½ | 6½ |
| Shell Cda A | 47 | 46⅝ | 46⅝ | 46⅝ |
| Southam | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |
| Stelco A | 6.70 | 6.65 | 6.70 | 6⅝ |
| Trilon Finl A | 4.95 | 4.90 | 4.95 | 4.90 |

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### Oslo

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Aker A | 122 | 119 | 120 | 121 |
| Bergesen Dy B | 110.50 | 106 | 106 | 110.50 |
| Christiania Bk | 15.70 | 15.60 | 15.60 | 15.70 |
| Den Norske Bk | 19.30 | 19 | 19.30 | 19 |
| Dl Norsk Luft | 322 | 317 | 318 | 315 |
| Dyno Indust | 144.50 | 143 | 144 | 142.50 |
| Elkem | 90 | 87 | 88 | 89 |
| Hafslund A | 184.50 | 183 | 184 | 184 |
| Kvaerner | 259 | 235 | 253.50 | 254.50 |
| Leif Hoegh | 90 | 88 | 90 | 88 |
| Norsk Hydro | 304 | 300 | 303 | 298.50 |
| Norske Skog A | 199 | 195 | 196 | 198.50 |
| Orkla | 321 | 315 | 321 | 312 |
| Rieber B | 135.50 | 135 | 135 | 134 |
| Saga Petm B | 87.50 | 85.50 | 87.50 | 84.50 |
| Schibsted | 88 | 88 | 88 | 88 |
| UniStorebr A | 30.90 | 30.30 | 30.70 | 30.80 |

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### Paris

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Accor | 774 | 762 | 766 | 767 |
| AGF | 143 | 141.30 | 142.70 | 143.70 |
| Air Liquide | 909 | 898 | 905 | 898 |
| Alcatel Alsth | 473 | 470 | 472.40 | 470.50 |
| Axa | 312 | 307.10 | 309.80 | 308 |
| Bancaire | 545 | 536 | 538 | 541 |
| BNP | 205.70 | 201.30 | 203 | 203.90 |
| Bouygues | 518 | 509 | 513 | 517 |
| Canal Plus | 1170 | 1155 | 1157 | 1164 |
| Carrefour | 3735 | 3662 | 3673 | 3696 |
| CCF | 243.90 | 240 | 240 | 240.80 |
| Credit Local cl | 394 | 388 | 388 | 388.50 |
| Credit Lyon PC | 208 | 199 | 200 | 209 |
| Crown Cork Seal | 226.60 | 223.60 | 225.20 | 222.10 |
| Danone | 792 | 779 | 788 | 790 |
| Elf-Aquitaine | 383 | 377 | 380 | 373.80 |
| Eridania BS | 850 | 840 | 849 | 833 |
| Euro Disney | 14 | 13.65 | 13.80 | 13.95 |
| Eurotunnel uts | 5.95 | 5.75 | 5.75 | 5.75 |
| Gen. Eaux | 526 | 519 | 526 | 517 |
| Havas | 446 | 439 | 439.20 | 445.10 |
| Lafarge Cop | 348 | 340 | 342 | 341.70 |
| Legrand | 956 | 930 | 941 | 945 |
| L'Oreal | 1546 | 1522 | 1523 | 1519 |
| LVMH | 1297 | 1282 | 1282 | 1273 |
| Lyon. Eaux | 505 | 497.50 | 499.40 | 500 |
| Michelin B | 248.50 | 245 | 245 | 248 |
| Navig Mixte | 759 | 750 | 750 | 758 |
| Paribas A | 324.90 | 318.60 | 319.50 | 324.80 |
| Pechiney SA | 229.30 | 225 | 226.50 | 227 |
| Pernod Ricard | 319.90 | 310 | 314.80 | 316 |
| Peugeot Cit | 755 | 745 | 748 | 752 |
| Pinault-Print | 1396 | 1370 | 1388 | 1382 |
| Promodes | 1345 | 1322 | 1332 | 1305 |
| Renault | 147 | 143 | 143.90 | 146 |
| Rh-Poulenc A | 130.10 | 128.20 | 129 | 129.30 |
| Roussel-Uclaf | 1137 | 1120 | 1137 | 1115 |
| Sanofi | 388 | 384.10 | 385.30 | 384.20 |
| Schneider | 238.80 | 234.50 | 238 | 230.90 |
| Ste Generale | 580 | 570 | 574 | 575 |
| St Gobain | 635 | 626 | 633 | 628 |
| St Louis | 1465 | 1430 | 1448 | 1435 |
| Suez | 214.80 | 206.50 | 208.30 | 211 |
| Thomson CSF | 130 | 126.20 | 126.20 | 127.90 |
| Total B | 359.50 | 355 | 359 | 355.50 |
| UAP | 110.50 | 109.30 | 110 | 109 |
| Valeo | 273 | 270 | 272 | 269.20 |

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### São Paulo

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bco Brasil Pfd | 10.27 | 9.90 | 10.27 | 9.89 |
| Banespa Pfd | 4.00 | 3.81 | 3.87 | 3.95 |
| Bradesco Pfd | 10.40 | 10.030 | 10.20 | 10.40 |
| Brahma Pfd | 466.00 | 458.00 | 466.00 | 459.00 |
| Cemig Pfd | 26.00 | 25.00 | 25.40 | 25.49 |
| CESP Pfd | 34.00 | 34.00 | 34.00 | 33.41 |
| Eletrobras B | 273.00 | 268.00 | 269.00 | 273.00 |
| Itaubanco Pfd | 347.990 | 340.00 | 340.00 | 348.00 |
| Light | 333.00 | 325.00 | 325.00 | 334.50 |
| Paranapan Pfd | 12.020 | 11.820 | 12.00 | 12.00 |
| Petrobras Pfd | 114.00 | 112.50 | 113.50 | 114.50 |
| Sid Nacional | 28.70 | 28.50 | 28.70 | 28.70 |
| Souza Cruz | 7.05 | 7.05 | 7.05 | 7.10 |
| Telebras Pfd | 52.20 | 51.10 | 52.05 | 51.40 |
| Telesp Pfd | 172.50 | 170.00 | 172.50 | 170.50 |
| Usiminas Pfd | 1.110 | 1.080 | 1.10 | 1.120 |
| CVRD Pfd | 19.40 | 18.80 | 19.25 | 19.30 |

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### Seoul

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Daewoo Heavy | 8050 | 7810 | 7980 | 7950 |
| Hyundai Eng | 39200 | 38500 | 39200 | 38700 |
| Hyundai Motor | 40800 | 39200 | 40000 | 39200 |
| Korea El Pwr | 31100 | 30400 | 30800 | 30500 |
| Korea Mob Tel | 672000 | 645000 | 650000 | 655000 |
| LG Electronics | 22500 | 21000 | 22500 | 21100 |
| Pohang Iron St | 59500 | 57000 | 58400 | 57600 |
| Samsung Elec | 95100 | 87000 | 95100 | 89400 |
| Samsung Hvy | 16100 | 15100 | 16100 | 15200 |
| Yukong | 29600 | 27100 | 29600 | 27300 |

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### Singapore

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Cerebos Pac | 11.80 | 11.70 | 11.80 | 11.60 |
| City Devlts | 12.90 | 12.70 | 12.80 | 12.80 |
| Cycle Carriage | 16.40 | 15.90 | 16.30 | 16 |
| Dairy Farm Int* | 0.94 | 0.92 | 0.93 | 0.95 |
| DBS | 9.75 | 9.70 | 9.70 | 9.65 |
| DBS Land | 5.70 | 5.50 | 5.55 | 5.70 |
| Fraser & Neave | 15.70 | 15.40 | 15.40 | 15.80 |
| HK Land* | 2.28 | 2.22 | 2.24 | 2.27 |
| Hong Leong Fin | 3.92 | 3.92 | 3.92 | 3.92 |
| Jard Mathesn* | 8 | 7.80 | 7.80 | 8 |
| Jard Strategic* | 3.22 | 3.16 | 3.20 | 3.20 |
| Keppel | 12.70 | 12.50 | 12.60 | 12.50 |
| Natsteel | 2.78 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 2.76 |
| Neptune Orient | 1.60 | 1.54 | 1.54 | 1.60 |
| OCBC foreign | 19.80 | 19.40 | 19.80 | 19.50 |
| O'Sea Union Bk | 7 | 6.95 | 7 | 7 |
| Sembawang | 7.55 | 7.45 | 7.50 | 7.50 |
| Sing Airlines F | 14 | 13.90 | 13.90 | 13.90 |
| Sing Petm | 1.78 | 1.77 | 1.77 | 1.78 |
| Sing Press F | 27.80 | 27.40 | 27.70 | 27.30 |
| ST Auto F | 3.12 | 3.10 | 3.10 | 3.10 |
| ST Ship | 2.51 | 2.51 | 2.51 | 2.51 |
| Sing Telecomm | 3.46 | 3.36 | 3.46 | 3.42 |
| Straits Steam | 4.88 | 4.84 | 4.84 | 4.84 |
| Utd Industrial | 1.49 | 1.45 | 1.49 | 1.48 |
| Utd O'Sea Bk F | 13.90 | 13.80 | 13.90 | 13.80 |
| Wing Tai Hdgs | 3.84 | 3.72 | 3.74 | 3.84 |

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### Stockholm

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AGA BF | 109.50 | 107 | 109.50 | 109.50 |
| Asea AF | 693 | 683 | 693 | 683 |
| AssiDoman F | 158.50 | 154 | 158 | 157.50 |
| Astra AF | 296.50 | 291.50 | 292.50 | 291 |
| Atlas Copco AF | 131.50 | 129 | 129 | 130 |
| Avesta F | 70 | 69 | 69.50 | 69 |
| Electrolux BF | 343 | 335 | 340 | 335.50 |
| Ericsson BF | 139.50 | 135.50 | 136 | 133.50 |
| Hennes BF | 478.50 | 470 | 471 | 470 |
| Incentive AF | 347 | 342 | 345 | 342 |
| Investor BF | 266 | 262 | 263.50 | 259 |
| Kinnevik BF | 260 | 250 | 255 | 251 |
| MoDo BF | 346 | 340 | 340 | 342 |
| Sandvik BF | 149 | 148 | 148.50 | 148 |
| SCA BF | 131 | 128 | 130.50 | 128.50 |
| S-E Banken AF | 49.80 | 48.50 | 49.40 | 48.10 |
| Skandia Fors F | 153.50 | 149 | 152.50 | 147.50 |
| Skanska BF | 204 | 201 | 203 | 199 |
| SKF BF | 155 | 153.50 | 155 | 154.50 |
| SSAB BF | 86.50 | 85 | 86.50 | 85.50 |
| Stora AF | 94 | 92.50 | 93.50 | 93.50 |
| Sv Handles AF | 131.50 | 129 | 131 | 130.50 |
| Sydkraft AF | 146 | 142 | 146 | 145 |
| Trelleborg BF | 91 | 89 | 90.50 | 88.50 |
| Volvo BF | 155.50 | 152.50 | 155 | 152.50 |

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### Sydney

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amcor | 9.17 | 9.08 | 9.12 | 9 |
| ANZ Bking | 5.95 | 5.83 | 5.92 | 5.83 |
| BHP | 19.30 | 18.90 | 19.30 | 19.09 |
| Boral | 3.46 | 3.40 | 3.42 | 3.45 |
| Brambles Ind. | 16.72 | 16.40 | 16.40 | 16.60 |
| Burns Philp | 2.67 | 2.65 | 2.65 | 2.65 |
| CBA | 9.95 | 9.90 | 9.93 | 9.87 |
| CC Amatil | 12.75 | 12.60 | 12.75 | 12.69 |
| Coles Myer | 4.41 | 4.36 | 4.41 | 4.35 |
| Comalco | 7.80 | 7.71 | 7.80 | 7.70 |
| CRA Ltd | 20.05 | 19.75 | 19.92 | 19.78 |
| CSR | 4.37 | 4.30 | 4.37 | 4.29 |
| Fosters Brew | 2.30 | 2.27 | 2.29 | 2.29 |
| GIO Australia | 2.77 | 2.72 | 2.77 | 2.71 |
| Goodman Fld | 1.31 | 1.30 | 1.31 | 1.30 |
| ICI Australia | 11.05 | 10.90 | 11.05 | 10.90 |
| John Fairfax | 2.86 | 2.83 | 2.86 | 2.85 |
| Lend Lease | 19.30 | 19.05 | 19.30 | 19.05 |
| Mayne Nickless | 7.17 | 7.12 | 7.13 | 7.20 |
| MIM Hdgs | 1.98 | 1.94 | 1.98 | 1.93 |
| Nat Aust Bank | 11.32 | 11.07 | 11.30 | 11.07 |
| News Corp | 7.07 | 6.95 | 7.06 | 7.07 |
| North Ltd | 3.90 | 3.80 | 3.90 | 3.80 |
| Pacific Dunlop | 3.05 | 3.02 | 3.02 | 3.07 |
| Pioneer Intl | 3.80 | 3.75 | 3.80 | 3.83 |
| Placer Pacific | 2.41 | 2.39 | 2.40 | 2.40 |
| Santos | 4.48 | 4.35 | 4.47 | 4.33 |
| Southcorp | 3.40 | 3.37 | 3.40 | 3.37 |
| Wesfarmers | 7.96 | 7.94 | 7.97 | 7.96 |
| Wstrn Mining | 9.34 | 9.12 | 9.34 | 9.14 |
| Westfield Trt | 2.18 | 2.16 | 2.18 | 2.18 |
| Westpac Bking | 6.09 | 6.03 | 6.08 | 6.04 |
| Woodside Pet | 7.15 | 7.04 | 7.15 | 7.04 |
| Woolworths | 3.23 | 3.20 | 3.23 | 3.20 |

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### Taipei

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Asia Cement | 52 | 48 | 48.50 | 50.50 |
| Cathay Life Ins | 181 | 168 | 179 | 167 |
| Chang Hwa Bk | 157 | 148 | 153 | 150 |
| China Steel | 27.80 | 26 | 26.10 | 26.90 |
| China Trust | 63.50 | 59 | 61.50 | 57.50 |
| Evergreen | 54 | 50 | 50.50 | 52.50 |
| Far East Text | 29 | 27.90 | 28.10 | 28.70 |
| First Bank | 162 | 150 | 156 | 154 |
| Formosa CF | 29 | 28 | 28.40 | 28.50 |
| Hua Nan Bk | 150 | 140 | 145 | 140.50 |
| Hualon Teijran | 23.10 | 21.10 | 22.10 | 20.60 |
| ICBC | 95.50 | 90 | 93 | 95.50 |
| President Ent | 39.80 | 38.20 | 39 | 39.50 |
| Taiwan Cemt | 52 | 48.70 | 48.70 | 50 |
| Tatung | 61 | 57 | 58 | 58 |

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### Tokyo

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ajinomoto | 1250 | 1220 | 1250 | 1210 |
| All Nippon Air | 1190 | 1170 | 1170 | 1170 |
| Asahi Bank | 1300 | 1260 | 1270 | 1300 |
| Asahi Chem | 826 | 821 | 824 | 820 |
| Asahi Glass | 1270 | 1250 | 1270 | 1230 |
| Bk Tokyo Mitsu | 2290 | 2280 | 2280 | 2280 |
| Bk Yokohama | 888 | 854 | 888 | 846 |
| Bridgestone | 1840 | 1800 | 1830 | 1830 |
| Canon | 2060 | 2040 | 2050 | 2040 |
| Chiba Bank | 920 | 900 | 919 | 917 |
| Chubu Elec | 2580 | 2520 | 2570 | 2520 |
| Chugoku Elec | 2460 | 2410 | 2460 | 2430 |
| Daiei | 1420 | 1370 | 1400 | 1360 |
| Daiichi Kang | 2130 | 2090 | 2120 | 2110 |
| Daiwa Bank | 785 | 778 | 780 | 790 |
| Daiwa House | 1640 | 1620 | 1630 | 1630 |
| Daiwa Sec | 1620 | 1600 | 1610 | 1610 |
| Fanuc | 4480 | 4380 | 4410 | 4430 |
| Fuji Bank | 2290 | 2230 | 2250 | 2270 |
| Fuji Photo | 3220 | 3190 | 3200 | 3170 |
| Fujitsu | 1060 | 1040 | 1040 | 1040 |
| Hitachi | 1090 | 1080 | 1090 | 1070 |
| Honda Motor | 2300 | 2280 | 2290 | 2280 |
| IBJ | 2870 | 2820 | 2840 | 2860 |
| IHI | 525 | 515 | 517 | 522 |
| Itochu | 804 | 795 | 800 | 792 |
| Ito-Yokado | 6340 | 6290 | 6330 | 6330 |
| JAL | 800 | 793 | 799 | 797 |
| Jusco | 3140 | 3000 | 3110 | 2950 |
| Kajima | 1180 | 1170 | 1170 | 1160 |
| Kansai Elec | 2500 | 2480 | 2490 | 2490 |
| Kao | 1400 | 1380 | 1400 | 1390 |
| Kawa Steel | 398 | 392 | 396 | 390 |
| KDD | 10400 | 10000 | 10400 | 10000 |
| Kinki Nipp Ry | 818 | 809 | 817 | 804 |
| Kirin Brewery | 1360 | 1340 | 1360 | 1340 |
| Kobe Steel | 344 | 339 | 340 | 342 |
| Komatsu | 1060 | 1040 | 1050 | 1000 |
| Kubota | 757 | 738 | 757 | 736 |
| Kyocera | 7520 | 7410 | 7420 | 7470 |
| Kyushu Elec | 2540 | 2490 | 2540 | 2480 |
| LTCB | 899 | 883 | 895 | 872 |
| Marubeni | 635 | 620 | 628 | 637 |
| Marui | 2240 | 2210 | 2230 | 2180 |
| Matsu Elec Ind | 1800 | 1770 | 1790 | 1760 |
| Matsu Elec Wk | 1180 | 1170 | 1170 | 1160 |
| Mitsubishi | 1470 | 1440 | 1450 | 1440 |
| Mitsubishi Ch | 600 | 593 | 600 | 590 |
| Mitsubishi El | 819 | 803 | 804 | 809 |
| Mitsubishi Est | 1470 | 1450 | 1450 | 1430 |
| Mitsubishi Hvy | 963 | 947 | 949 | 957 |
| Mitsubishi Mat | 963 | 950 | 952 | 960 |
| Mitsubishi Tr | 1820 | 1780 | 1790 | 1770 |
| Mitsui | 988 | 982 | 986 | 980 |
| Mitsui Fudosn | 1380 | 1360 | 1370 | 1370 |
| Mitsui Trust | 1270 | 1240 | 1250 | 1220 |
| Murata Mfg | 3800 | 3800 | 3800 | 3790 |
| NEC | 1250 | 1240 | 1240 | 1250 |
| New Oji Paper | 931 | 927 | 930 | 927 |
| Nikko Sec | 1340 | 1310 | 1320 | 1330 |
| Nintendo | 7380 | 7250 | 7250 | 7370 |
| Nipp Credit Bk | 417 | 409 | 417 | 408 |
| Nipp Express | 1080 | 1070 | 1070 | 1050 |
| Nippon Oil | 725 | 710 | 725 | 711 |
| Nippon Paper | 745 | 733 | 741 | 743 |
| Nippon Steel | 388 | 383 | 385 | 382 |
| Nippon Yusen | 649 | 643 | 646 | 642 |
| Nippondenso | 2230 | 2180 | 2210 | 2160 |
| Nissan Motor | 867 | 860 | 865 | 860 |
| NKK | 349 | 343 | 343 | 342 |
| Nomura Sec | 2340 | 2320 | 2330 | 2340 |
| NTT | 8130a | 8040a | 8060a | 8010a |
| Obayashi | 971 | 958 | 963 | 951 |
| Odakyu El Ry | 750 | 741 | 743 | 742 |
| Ono Pharm | 3700 | 3680 | 3700 | 3680 |
| Osaka Gas | 399 | 393 | 397 | 393 |
| Ricoh | 1190 | 1170 | 1180 | 1160 |
| Sakura Bk | 1240 | 1210 | 1220 | 1220 |
| Sankyo | 2490 | 2470 | 2480 | 2480 |
| Sanwa Bank | 2130 | 2110 | 2120 | 2120 |
| Sanyo Elec | 643 | 630 | 639 | 640 |
| Secom | 6950 | 6910 | 6930 | 6940 |
| Seibu Rwy | 6060 | 6020 | 6040 | 6010 |
| Sekisui House | 1310 | 1290 | 1300 | 1300 |
| Seven-Eleven | 7270 | 7170 | 7230 | 7250 |
| Sharp | 1770 | 1740 | 1750 | 1730 |
| Shimizu | 1180 | 1150 | 1150 | 1180 |
| Shin-etsu Ch | 2210 | 2160 | 2200 | 2160 |
| Shizuoka Bk | 1390 | 1370 | 1380 | 1370 |
| Sony | 6460 | 6400 | 6430 | 6400 |
| Sumitomo | 1210 | 1180 | 1190 | 1190 |
| Sumitomo Bk | 2200 | 2140 | 2150 | 2170 |
| Sumit Chem | 577 | 570 | 572 | 569 |
| Sumitomo Elec | 1480 | 1460 | 1480 | 1450 |
| Sumit Metal | 351 | 346 | 348 | 344 |
| Sumit Trust | 1520 | 1470 | 1470 | 1510 |
| Taisei | 792 | 786 | 790 | 783 |
| Taisho Pharm | 2190 | 2160 | 2170 | 2170 |
| Takeda Chem | 1670 | 1650 | 1650 | 1650 |
| TDK | 6060 | 5850 | 5850 | 5870 |
| Tohoku El Pwr | 2540 | 2500 | 2540 | 2500 |
| Tokai Bank | 1300 | 1270 | 1290 | 1290 |
| Tokio Marine | 1440 | 1390 | 1400 | 1400 |
| Tokyo El Pwr | 2790 | 2760 | 2790 | 2760 |
| Tokyo Gas | 397 | 389 | 396 | 387 |
| Tokyu | 840 | 826 | 834 | 833 |
| Tonen | 1580 | 1570 | 1580 | 1570 |
| Toppan Print | 1540 | 1520 | 1540 | 1500 |
| Toray Ind | 748 | 740 | 742 | 744 |
| Toshiba | 831 | 822 | 823 | 826 |
| Toyo Seikan | 3630 | 3580 | 3630 | 3620 |
| Toyo Trust | 1030 | 1010 | 1030 | 1010 |
| Toyota Motor | 2360 | 2340 | 2350 | 2350 |
| Yamaichi Sec | 821 | 811 | 811 | 817 |
| Yamanouchi | 2460 | 2440 | 2450 | 2430 |
| Yasuda Fire | 842 | 826 | 836 | 824 |
| Yasuda Trust | 673 | 664 | 668 | 665 |

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### Toronto

| | High | Low | Close | Prev. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abitibi Price | 19.35 | 18.70 | 19¼ | 18¾ |
| Air Canada | 5.20 | 5.05 | 5.20 | 5⅛ |
| Alberta Energy | 27 | 26¾ | 26.95 | 26¾ |
| Alcan Alum | 45.55 | 44⅝ | 45½ | 45¾ |
| Avenor A | 20¼ | 12.90 | 20¼ | 19¾ |
| Bk Nova Scotia | 30.60 | 30.15 | 30.60 | 30⅛ |
| Barrick Gold | 42 | 41.30 | 42 | 41¾ |
| BCE | 50.20 | 49.45 | 50.15 | 49½ |
| BC Telecomm | 25.20 | 25.10 | 25.10 | 25⅛ |
| Bombardier B | 19.85 | 19½ | 19.85 | 19¾ |
| Brascan A | 27.15 | 26½ | 27.10 | 26½ |
| Cameco | 72.95 | 72.10 | 72¾ | 72¾ |
| CIBC | 41.30 | 40.60 | 41.20 | 40¾ |
| Cdn Airlines | 3.20 | 3.10 | 3.10 | 3.15 |
| Cdn Nat Res | 24 | 23¾ | 23.95 | 23¾ |
| Cdn Occid Pet | 47.85 | 46.85 | 47.70 | 47 |
| Cdn Pacific | 28.10 | 27.60 | 28 | 27½ |
| Cominco | 31.70 | 31.45 | 31.65 | 31½ |
| Consumers Gas | 20.60 | 20½ | 20½ | 20½ |
| Dofasco | 21.95 | 21.35 | 21.85 | 21⅝ |
| Domtar Ind B | 9⅛ | 8.70 | 9 | 9 |
| Du Pont Cda A | 31¼ | 30½ | 31⅛ | 30½ |
| Echo Bay Min | 18⅛ | 17.95 | 18⅛ | 18⅛ |
| Empire Co. A | 12 | 12 | 12 | 11⅞ |
| Falconbridge | 30.90 | 30½ | 30⅝ | 30⅝ |
| Fletcher Chall A | 18.40 | 18⅛ | 18.40 | 18⅛ |
| Franco Nevada | 80.45 | 79.85 | 80 | 80½ |
| Guardian Cap A | 9⅛ | 9½ | 9½ | 9½ |
| Hemlo Gold | 18.80 | 18.55 | 18.70 | 18½ |
| Horsham | 20 | 19.85 | 20 | 19⅞ |
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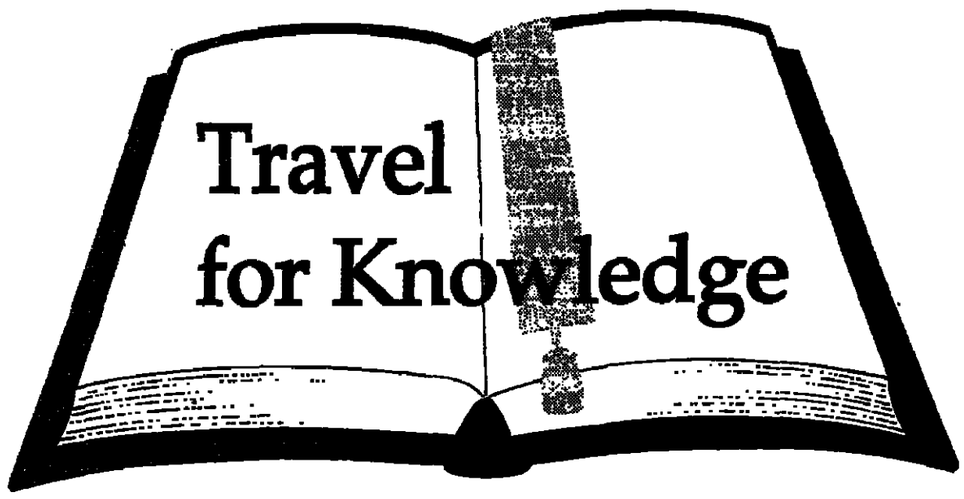


*Europe saw the development of its first universities in the 12th century. These institutions continue to attract full-time scholars but now also offer learning opportunities to those who wish to broaden their intellectual horizons without devoting themselves to year-round study. Travelers hungry for knowledge can appease their appetites while enjoying the capital cities and tourist destinations that are home to these venerable halls of learning.*

# From Medieval Scholars to Today's Travelers: European Universities

Until the 12th century, no such institution as the university existed. A young European anxious to improve himself intellectually had few choices. He – European women would have to wait eight more centuries for access to higher learning – might report to an overcrowded school associated with a monastery or cathedral, or he might travel to a faraway city in search of a teacher whose fame had spread to reach the student's own home. If he followed the latter course, he ran the risk of being cheated and mistreated by the locals, who resented the presence of these suspicious and often rowdy foreigners in their midst. (The still-existing Town vs. Gown conflict is by no means a recent phenomenon.) The teacher's position was no less precarious: There were no guarantees his fee would be paid.

It was in this chaotic scenario that the first universities appeared, in the 12th century. An organized institution that provided better protection for all involved was needed. Associations of students and professors were formed, and regular classes, fee structures, entrance requirements and diplomas were created. Thus the university was born in Europe in a form similar to what we know today. Its structure has been copied by nations around the world.

In the 12th century, 11 universities were founded in Italy, five in France, two in England and five on the Spanish peninsula. Germany had to wait until the 13th century for the opening of five universities, and Scotland until the 15th century for three.

The language of higher education was Latin and, in general, students were expected to spend four or five years studying the "liberal arts," which included rhetoric, logic, metaphysics, moral philosophy and physics, and, less importantly, arithmetic, geometry, astronomy and music. Once they had their bachelor's degree, they could spend another three years or so studying for a master's degree. Teaching experience was required before admission to a doctoral program, which might last seven or eight years.

While these early universities were, in theory, independent of papal authority, the Church kept a close watch on their activities and did not hesitate to interfere when it smelled a whiff of heresy. In the 14th century, the universities of Europe came under the aegis of the Pope, who had an interest in controlling the theology and suppressing any heresy that might come out of these influential institutions.

Theology (also known as the "holy science") and philosophy continued to take precedence over scientific inquiry throughout the 14th and 15th centuries. Astrology and alchemy were considered respectable disciplines, and medicine, while part of the curriculum of many universities, was based as much on received wisdom and common sense as on empirical observation. The "mechanical arts" and practical sciences were scorned by the universities, which by the 14th century each had schools nominally dedicated to the arts, medicine, law and theology.

Emphasis was placed not so much on innovation in thought as on translation and interpretation of ancient texts: the writings of Aristotle and other Greek thinkers, the Roman law of Justinian, the Arabic texts on algebra and medicine.

Today's wandering scholars still travel to these university centers, although they might be more interested in learning how to surf the Internet or how to describe the bouquet of a great Bordeaux than in finding a method for turning lead into gold or contemplating how many angels can dance on the head of a pin. Here is a look at some of the oldest universities in Europe and the programs they offer to foreign students.

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### Paris

In the middle ages, if theology and philosophy was your thing, you went to the University of Paris, founded in 1170 and considered the most prestigious of all European universities. Great luminaries in the field like Abélard, perhaps better-known for his scandalous affair with Héloïse, applied logic to the study of the mysteries of faith. The great theological scholar and author of Summa Theologica, Thomas Aquinas, Italian by birth, taught in Paris in the 13th century.

Other great names who lectured in the French capital included the German Albertus Magnus, Aquinas's teacher, and the Scotsman Duns Scotus (an Oxford man), whose opponents unkindly coined the word "dunce" in reference to him and his followers. The study of civil law, considered highly suspect by the Church authorities, was prohibited in Paris.

The thinkers of the University of Paris often found themselves in hot water with both ecclesiastical and civil authorities, and finally became independent of religious and political control after the French Revolution. The student tradition of defying authority continued, however, culminating in the student riots of 1968, after which the city authorities tarred over the Boulevard Saint-Michel so that rebellious students would no longer have easy access to paving stones, favored as anti-police missiles by rebellious students throughout French history.

The Sorbonne, now part of the Universities of Paris, was founded in 1257, and its present-day Cour de Langue et Civilisation Françaises attracts large numbers of foreigners, who come for the glamour and bright lights of Paris as much as for the glory of the French language and civilization. The program offers classes in French as a foreign language and French civilization during the fall (October-January) and spring (February-May) semesters, as well as during the summer. Students can choose practical or preparatory courses of four, six or eight weeks, or an intensive 11-week course, with 25 hours of classes per week. A five-week intensive course is also offered in September.

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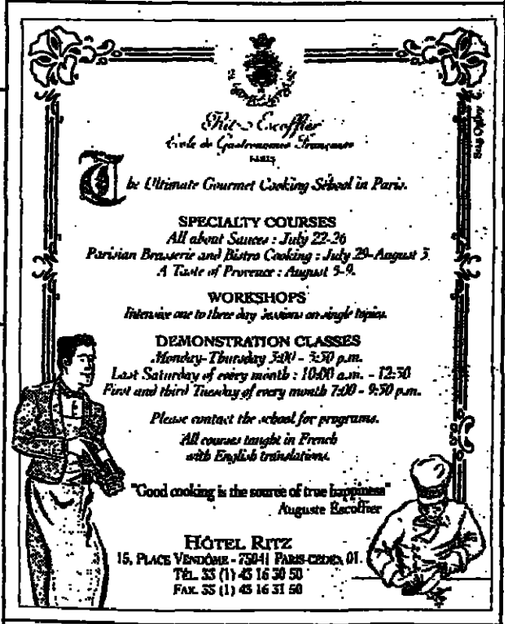
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**Oxford**
Oxford University came into its own after English students were banned from the University of Paris in 1167. Oxford, a center for mathematics and science as well as philosophy, was set up along the same lines as its cross-Channel rival. Today, the university consists of 35 independent colleges and five private halls and teems with 1,500 teachers and 13,000 students.

The university offers a wealth of interesting courses for visitors who would like to spend a little time basking in the beauty and glory of its campus. One-week summer courses on a wide variety of subjects are being offered this year by the Oxford University Department for Continuing Education.

For history buffs, there are Winston Churchill: A Political Life, 1900-1955; The Civil War in Oxford and Oxfordshire; The Medieval University of Oxford; The British Monarchy since 1760; Architecture and History of Oxford and the Surrounding Region; Murder in Oxford; The Colleges of Oxford; Anglo-Saxon England; Lancastrians and Yorkists; Myths and Legends of the British Isles; The Age of Elizabeth I; The History of Oxford; and Medieval English Parish Churches and Parish Life.

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The University of Bologna, considered to be the oldest university in Europe, was probably founded in the 11th century. It was the place to study canon law, or the law of the Catholic Church, which had been codified by Gratian, a teacher there in the 12th century, as well as Roman, or civil law.

With 59,000 students today, Bologna continues to be one of Italy's most important university centers. It participates in the European Union's Erasmus and Tempus programs, and provides Italian courses for foreigners.

Foreigners are also welcome to follow all the regular classes of the university in foreign languages, music, literature, archaeology, history and all other disciplines, as well as to take part in research projects in the sciences and the humanities, some of which benefit from EU funds.

The university offers funding to associations of foreign students for cultural activities. Special tutors are assigned to foreign students from developing countries to help them integrate into the life of the university and the city.

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The University of Montpellier's renowned medical faculty was founded in 1222, and was followed by faculties of arts and law. A papal bull promulgated by Pope Nicolas IV brought the three schools together to officially create the university in 1289. A faculty of theology was created at the beginning of the 15th century. In 1808, Napoléon I established the faculty of sciences, which eventually became the University of Montpellier II, the school of science and technology. The university's Botanical Institute, whose marine biology center recently underwent major renovations, dates back to 1889. In 1970, the university was divided into three separate schools.

The Université Montpellier III, the campus that now welcomes foreign students studying French language and literature to this handsome and lively city in the South of France, is devoted to letters, arts, languages and human sciences and is named after the great French writer, Paul Valéry, who was born in the nearby village of Sète and who studied at Montpellier.

***Clockwise from top left: The French poet Paul Valéry studied law at Montpellier, and one of its faculties has been named after him. The Italian theologian Saint Thomas Aquinas, a Dominican, studied under Albertus Magnus at the University of Paris and taught there himself. The German writer Johann Wolfgang van Goethe studied law at the University of Leipzig, one of Germany's oldest. Thomas, Cardinal Wolsey, a butcher's son, rose to power in Henry VIII's government and founded Christ Church at Oxford. English Romantic poet John Keats did not have much formal education himself, but the works that were criticized during his lifetime are now studied worldwide.***

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**Lisbon**
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## WORLD ROUNDUP

### Memorable Victory

**SOCCER** Nimes, a semi-professional team from the French third division, reached the French Cup final with a 1-0 victory Sunday over Montpellier. Abdel Ramdane, who scored the goal in the 10th minute, said Monday that he cannot remember it. Ramdane, 20, was substituted later because of injuries to his head. He lost consciousness briefly in the locker room and was taken to a hospital. *(AFP)*

• Atletico Madrid missed a chance to open some space at the top of the Spanish first division Sunday when it tied Real Betis, 1-1, at home. The result leaves Atletico three points ahead of Barcelona, which tied, 1-1, at Racing Santander on Saturday. *(Reuters)*

• Arrigo Sacchi renewed his contract as Italy's coach until after the 1998 World Cup in France, the national federation announced Monday. Sacchi will earn $700,000, a small pay raise. *(AFP)*

### Winning Team Accused

**CYCLING** Jean-Marie Leblanc, the organizer of the Paris-Roubaix World Cup cycling classic Sunday, on Monday accused the victorious Mapei team of cheating.

Patrick Lefevere, the Mapei *directeur sportif*, "was caught cheating red-handed," said LeBlanc. "The mechanic in the support car assisted two of their racers, Bortolami and Museeuw, following punctures. In fact, it appears that he was examining the brakes," Leblanc said. *(AFP)*

### Dragons Outlast Admirals

**FOOTBALL** The Barcelona Dragons beat the Amsterdam Admirals, 34-27, in overtime Sunday, on the opening weekend of the World League of American Football season in Barcelona before a crowd of 32,000. *(AP)*

### India Crushes Pakistan

**CRICKET** Sachin Tendulkar and Navjot Singh Sidhu shared a record 231-run stand to help India to a 28-run victory over Pakistan in the Sharjah Cup one-day tournament Monday. Both scored centuries as India piled up 305 for five from their 50 overs. Pakistan was bowled out for 277. *(Reuters)*

### Shue Puts Boots On

**SOCCER** The Los Angeles Galaxy fielded a Hollywood star and outdrew Hideo Nomo as Major League Soccer played its first full weekend of games. The Galaxy drew 69,255 to the Rose Bowl for its 2-1 victory over the New York-New Jersey MetroStars. Cobi Jones and defender Arash Noamouz scored for the Galaxy. Giovanni Savarese scored for the MetroStars. Andrew Shue — the actor from "Melrose Place" who once led Dartmouth to an Ivy League title — entered the game late to high-pitched shrieks. The smallest crowd in the five games over the weekend was 21,141 at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City. Average attendance for the league's six games has been 33,000. *(NYT)*

# How Green Jacket Escaped the Shark

## *A Brilliant Round by Faldo Is Eclipsed by Norman's Flop*

By Larry Dorman
*New York Times Service*

AUGUSTA, Georgia — As he so often has, Nick Faldo saved his best golf for the last day of the Masters. And as he so often has, Greg Norman saved his worst. So Sunday, on a sultry afternoon at Augusta National, Faldo left with his third green jacket and Norman left with the most crushing defeat in a career that has seen many.

It was as shocking a reversal as this 60-year-old tournament has seen, a collapse that rivals any in major championship history. Faldo's 67 for a 72-hole total of 276, 12 strokes under par, was a fine effort, borderline brilliant. He three-putted just once all week, controlled himself beautifully and never wavered from his game plan.

But for sheer gruesomeness, Norman's round of 78 — a round that turned a 6-stroke lead into a 5-stroke loss — was truly frightful, like watching a head-on collision.

Faldo, 38, walked out of it unscathed and smiling, victorious, his hands raised and his reputation as a major championship force restored.

Head to head, he had buried Norman again. He wore him down with consistency, impaled him on his putter and, in the end, embraced him, the way one heavyweight boxer does to another just after knocking him out and helping him stand up.

"I didn't think it would end that way," Faldo said. "I honestly and genuinely feel sorry for Greg and what he's going through. He's a great man. It's part of golf."

It is an unfortunate part of golf, one that Norman will have to carry with him for a long time.

Norman's loss of a 6-stroke lead eclipsed Ed Sneed's 1979 collapse at the Masters, where he frittered away a 5-stroke lead, and it eclipsed that of Tom Watson in the 1978 PGA Championship and that of MacDonald Smith in the 1925 British Open and Jose Jurado in the the British Open.

With the exception of Watson, those are names and tournaments long forgotten. But this Masters will be remembered for Faldo's brilliance just as much as for Norman's lack of it.

These two men have defined one another before. This was a replay of the 1990 duel in the sun between Faldo and Norman at St. Andrews. Only the day was different. That happened on Saturday, when Faldo shot 67 and Norman shot 76 and Faldo went on to win the British Open.

"My true goal was to come in and have a really good showing and it would give me a good boost for the year," Faldo said. "I didn't know it was going to happen this way."

Norman started shakily, pulling his drive into the trees left of the first hole, and he simply never righted himself. He bogeyed that hole, and it was a grim harbinger. After three rounds of wonderful play, Norman hit just three of the first nine greens, and by the time he had bogeyed the ninth hole, spinning his sand wedge down the hill, his lead had shrunk to two strokes.

Faldo is a dangerous man at Augusta when he makes the turn to the back nine within sight of the lead. In 1989, he trailed Scott Hoch by three strokes and won in a playoff. In 1990, he trailed Raymond Floyd by two strokes and won in a playoff. In 1996, he didn't need a playoff.

This time, it was because he got more help than he's used to getting.

Norman bogeyed the 10th hole, chipping too aggressively past the pin after missing the green to the left. The lead was one. Then he bogeyed the 11th hole, three-putting it and missing a Scott Hoch-like two-and-a-half footer in the process. That tied things up, and by then there was no one else to make any noise. Phil Mickelson, who started the day just one behind Faldo at 6-under, never got it going. He shot 72 and finished alone in third.

One of the last things a player wants to do in the Masters is come to the 12th tee, the par-3 Golden Bell that has tolled disaster for so many, thinking negative thoughts. There was no way Norman could avoid it. He had bogeyed three holes in a row, and now there was nowhere for his 7-iron to go.

It hit the bank below the bunker and rolled into the water. It was the same bank that held Fred Couples' ball up in 1993, the same bank that saved Norman's ball during Friday's second round, the same bank that has repelled so many others.

Norman took a double bogey to fall two strokes behind Faldo, and the only hope that remained was for him to outmuscle Faldo on the par 5s he had dominated throughout the week.

He didn't. The two traded birdies at the 13th and 15th, using different strategies but achieving the same result. Way ahead on points, Faldo was content to jab his man, to keep him at bay, and then the knockout came at the 16th hole when Norman spun out of his tee shot and hooked his 6-iron into the water.

"It was a very strange atmosphere out there coming up the last few holes," Faldo said, and it was.

One man was walking in the equivalent of his funeral cortege, the other was walking in the sun toward his third Masters title.

Curtis Compton/AP
**Greg Norman reacting to a tee shot during his disastrous final round.**

Stephen Savoia/The Associated Press
**ON THE RUN — Elite runners in a record field of 38,706 starting the 100th Boston Marathon on Monday. Moses Tanui of Kenya won the men's race; Uta Pippig of Germany won the women's race a third straight time.**

# Last Games Settle Final Playoff Seeds

*The Associated Press*

Last season, the Detroit Red Wings finished with the top record in the NHL and were swept into the Stanley Cup finals by the New Jersey Devils.

The Red Wings will try it again when the playoffs open this week. Once again, they're the No. 1 team, which set a record for victories with 62.

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The first-round of the playoffs start Tuesday. The Red Wings begin their series with the Winnipeg Jets on Wednesday.

Missing from the 16-team field will be the Devils, whose 5-2 loss to Ottawa on Saturday cost them a playoff berth. They became the first team since the 1969-70 Canadiens to miss the playoffs the year after winning the Stanley Cup.

It wasn't until the last game of the season Sunday night that the playoff matchups were finally set. Anaheim's 5-2 victory over Winnipeg left the Jets in the eighth and final playoff spot with the dubious distinction of facing Detroit.

In Dallas, the Red Wings finished in style. Sergei Fedorov had a goal and two assists, Vyacheslav Kozlov scored twice and Paul Coffey had an assist and a goal as the Red Wings extended their unbeaten streak against Dallas to 10 games.

**Flyers 3, Lightning 1** Eric Lindros scored his 47th goal and added an assist as visiting Philadelphia defeated Tampa Bay to win the Eastern Conference championship.

**Bruins 6, Penguins 5** In Boston, Mario Lemieux had a goal and four assists to win his fifth scoring title, but Pittsburgh's loss cost it a chance to become the top playoff seed in the conference.

Lemieux scored 69 goals and 161 points in 70 games to beat his teammate Jaromir Jagr, who had 149 points in 82 games.

**Panthers 5, Rangers 1** Rob Niedermayer scored a goal and assisted on two others as Florida beat visiting New York to clinch home-ice advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

**Blues 2, Blackhawks 2** In Chicago, Ed Belfour stopped 50 shots, but couldn't keep Geoff Courtnall from scoring with 14:54 left in regulation as the Blues rallied for a tie with the Blackhawks.

**Sabres 4, Whalers 1** In Buffalo, Derek Plante scored two goals to lift the Sabres over Hartford in the final game at Memorial Auditorium.

**Kings 5, Avalanche 4** In Denver, Yanic Perreault scored the second of his two goals at 4:12 of overtime.

# *First Boil the Octopus, Then Throw It on the Ice*

By Keith Bradsher
*New York Times Service*

DETROIT — The secret to throwing a large octopus onto an ice hockey rink is to boil it first for 20 minutes on high heat with a little lemon juice and white wine to mask the odor.

A well-boiled octopus can be hurled close to 100 feet, its rubbery purple tentacles waving, and will bounce and roll satisfactorily across the ice when it lands. A raw dead octopus is a smelly ball that will stick to the ice on impact and often leave an inky stain.

"They just splat" when not boiled properly, said Alphonse C. Arnone, a fishmonger at the open-air Eastern Market.

For more than 40 years, Detroit hockey fans have lobbed dead octopuses onto the rink whenever the Red Wings reach the National Hockey League playoffs. A record 54 octopuses hit the ice here in a single game as the Red Wings lost last year's NHL finals.

The Red Wings set an NHL record Friday by becoming the first team to win 61 games in a season, beating the Chicago Blackhawks. During the game, no fewer than 16 octopuses flew onto the ice.

According to local lore, Peter Cusimano, a former fish monger, lobbed the first octopus — a four-pounder — in the playoffs in 1952. That was the year the Red Wings swept the Stanley Cup semi-finals and finals in eight games.

"It was like a good-luck omen," said Cusimano, who runs a restaurant, where he serves marinated octopus. "The octopus has eight legs and we were going for eight straight."

It now takes 16 victories to win the Stanley Cup, so some fishmongers suggest throwing two octopuses tied together.

Octopus hurlers try to buy aisle seats, so that they can stand up quickly after the Red Wings score and take a good windup without hitting the person behind them.

Experienced throwers grab the octopus around the middle of the tentacles, with the head down near the back of the thrower's knee, and swing with an overarm motion, as though lobbing a grenade.

"That's the only way you're going to get any leverage," Cusimano said.

Inexperienced octopus throwers sometimes make the mistake of holding the tentacle tips, only to have the octopus head break off during the windup.

Strictly speaking, it is against the law to throw anything on the ice during a game. And while no one has been hurt by a flying octopus, and no octopus thrower has ever been prosecuted, the team's management tries to discourage the practice.

Fans resort to a wide variety of stratagems to smuggle octopuses into the arena. John Messina, 44, a fish wholesaler who has been throwing since he was 17, usually stuffs an octopus into a zip-lock plastic bag and slides it down the front of his black pullover with the red octopus insignia.

"It looks like you've just got a pot belly, like a typical beer belly," he said. "If I didn't have the plastic bag, I would have had a stinky belly all night."

Some smuggle plastic-wrapped octopuses under their hats, but Messina tried that, only once. "If your hat falls off, the jig is up," he said.

After launching an octopus, fans still have a problem. Their hands stink. But experienced octopus throwers learned long ago how to erase the evidence. "You take Wet-Wipes and a slice of lemon to get the odor off," Messina said.

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**Six teams only managed to get through bad weather and increasing mechanical difficulties as the competition is getting increasingly tougher.**

**Lima, April 14th, 1996.**
Ushuaia marked the race mid-point. Since then, competing crews head North, and winds are not any better! On the departure from Ushuaia, low lying clouds and rain showers greeted the competitors as they woke up. Tierra Del Fuego mountains were engulfed in freezing clouds, and overflying them was impossible for the pilots of non-turbocharged airplanes, or for those who did not carry breathing oxygen. The alternate route, chosen by Knight Flight, followed the Pacific ocean coastline, but with a severe penalty in mileage and flight time. In Santiago on Friday, Knight Flight was still leading overall, but lost 42 minutes and comes third on the leg behind Cielos and Silver Bullet. Two competing crews suffered mechanical problems while in Ushuaia. Silver Bullet was taxiing on an uneven surface after refueling when the propeller of the short legged Mooney hit a ridge. The propeller was reworked by a local mechanic from the Argentinean Air Force, and Silver Bullet was finally able to depart. Canuk was less lucky as a faulty oil pump was discovered during the customary engine run-up, seconds before take-off. The crew had to have engine diagrams faxed to Ushuaia from Canada. They could finally take off today, and are expected in Lima on Monday. Today's leg from Santiago to Lima proved challenging again, as head winds were up to 100 mph, and most crews, who were planning a direct ride, had to stop for fuel at Iquique, Chile. Silver Bullet has probably lost all chances to stand first or second, and the battle for the first two places is fiercer than ever between Knight Flight and Cielos.

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# *Hung Up in Picardy, Hoping for Bigger Things*

*International Herald Tribune*

*Vantage Point*/**SAMUEL ABT**

COMPIEGNE, France — Vincent Lavenu smiled at one and all, shook any hand in reach, turned appropriately solemn to discuss his team's prospects in the Paris-Roubaix bicycle race.

Paris-Roubaix! Definitely the big time. The Hell of the North. The centennial edition of Paris-Roubaix, 263.5 kilometers (164 miles) long, 50 of those kilometers over cobblestones, was run Sunday with four hours of coverage on European television.

This was more like it for Lavenu, the *directeur sportif* of Petit Casino-C'est Votre Equipe. Nodding happily, he turned realistic.

"What chance do we have against some of these teams?" he asked. "Big cylinders, some of them. We're small cylinders."

He knew what he was talking about: The only member of his six-man team who would finish was Jaan Kirsipuu, an Estonian, in 16th place. Lavenu is no fool but, even in realistic moments, he is enthusiastic.

"It's beginning to happen for us," he said. "Two second places, you noticed that? Two second places. For us, the season really begins now."

The two second places, scored last week, were in the distinctly minor Circuit de la Sarthe race. Lavenu's team is usually found in minor races, not in such crown jewels of the World Cup as Paris-Roubaix.

When the World Cup of one-day classics began in March with Milan-San Remo in Italy for the 22 first-division teams, his second-division team was riding in Cholet-Pays du Loire deep in France. When the big boys were riding the Tour of Flanders in Belgium, his team was at the Grand Prix de Rennes in deeper France. Next weekend, when the 22 first-division teams ride Liège-Bastogne-Liège in Belgium, the second division will be in such small-time races as A Travers le Morbihan and the Tour de la Côte Picarde in deepest France.

Morbihan! Picardy! Backwaters. Lavenu winces. His heart yearns for Liège-Bastogne-Liège, the big time.

The problem, of course, is money. With an annual budget of 6.5 million francs ($1.5 million), he cannot compete for star riders with the first-division teams: Banesto spends more than $6 million a year, Mapei and Gewiss ditto, ONCE don't ask.

Gan, the sole first-division team in France, has a budget of nearly $5 million. In contrast, the five French second-division teams range from a bit above $1 million (Mutuelle de Seine et Marne) to not quite $2 million (Agrigel-La Creuse).

**'The Tour de France is the main goal. I think De Las Cuevas is an extra trump.'**

As a small team with a small budget, Petit Casino-C'est Votre Equipe is eligible only for the World Cup races in its own country. Of the 11 World Cup classics, that means just Paris-Roubaix in the spring and Paris-Tours in the fall. In between, it is the small time: Cholet, Rennes, the Tour of Armorique, places virtually unknown to first-division teams. Picardy!

The 40-year-old Lavenu is daunted neither by the races nor by his team's lackluster performance this season. He will not react the way Willy Teirlinck, the directeur sportif of Collstrop, a minor Belgian team, did this month when his riders showed no spark in a multiday race: Teirlinck recalled his staff from the feed zone where the riders grab bags of sandwiches, fruit and cake and made them finish two daily stages in the cold rain without lunch, without fuel.

Collstrop and Petit Casino have the same number of victories this season — none — but it is not Lavenu's way to be harsh. He remembers how it felt to be a minor rider trying to stay with those with stronger legs and more talent. Instead of anger, he offers understanding.

"It's a young team with a lot of spirit," Lavenu said hopefully earlier in the season. The only Petit Casino rider with a name is its leader, Armand De Las Cuevas, whose talent is often obscured by his attitude. Last year the Castorama team that he led suspended him without public explanation from mid-July through the end of the season in November.

"He's a rider of high quality, a little different, but a leader," Lavenu said. "His signing will give us a little more cachet."

Cachet is what Lavenu desperately needs. In his fifth year as a directeur sportif, his goal is, as always, an invitation to the Tour de France. He usually makes it and his overmatched team always rides dismally. But it's the big time and Lavenu bubbles the entire three weeks.

"The Tour de France is the main goal of all French teams," he said. "I think De Las Cuevas is an extra trump." The Tour's organizers have already issued invitations, all of which were accepted, to the top 18 teams in the computer rankings. Petit Casino ranks 23d. Four wildcards will be awarded in June and Lavenu is optimistic.

"We'll go to the Tour de France," he began confidently, "if we deserve to." His voice dropped away on the last few words.

Petit Casino is not alone in its despair. These are hard times for French teams, which cannot find sponsors to provide the millions needed to compete for the best riders.

Blame it on the economy, which remains torpid with 3 million people unemployed. Growth projections for the year were revised sharply downward three weeks ago, from 2.8 percent to 1.3 percent, barely a pulse.

So Lavenu has to make do with small sponsors. Starting in 1992, it was Chazal, a regional merchandiser of cold cuts. This year it is Petit Casino, a chain of coffee shops in supermarkets, that is contributing more than half of his team's budget.

"Listen," he says, "the name is not just Petit Casino. The 'C'est Votre Equipe' is very important."

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# SPORTS

## Johnson Bumps Referee And May Be Suspended

*The Associated Press*

Magic Johnson looked like a hypocrite as he lowered his shoulder and banged into a referee. A vocal critic of recent attacks on officials, Johnson himself may be suspended.

The referee-bumping incident Sunday overshadowed the Los Angeles Lakers' 118-114 victory over the Phoenix Suns — the Lakers' 50th and

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the first time the team has reached that number since 1991-92.

Johnson, indignant and hypercritical after his teammate Nick Van Exel drew a seven-game suspension last week for shoving a referee, initially defended himself in an interview with NBC during the game. Afterward, though, he softened his tone and apologized.

"After looking at the replay, I realize it was my fault, I got in his way. Although it wasn't intentional, I should have gotten kicked out.

**Kings 101, Clippers 96** In Sacramento, Mitch Richmond scored 26 of his 30 points in the second half as the host Kings kept their hold on the final playoff spot in the Western Conference.

**Warriors 93, Jazz 82** In Oakland, Latrell Sprewell had 30 points and Golden State used a 10-point run late in the third period to stay close in the playoff race.

**Bucks 114, Magic 101** The Bucks, playing in Milwaukee, pulled off one of their biggest stunners of the season. Vin Baker scored 27 and Johnny Newman, taking advantage of the absence of Anfernee Hardaway, who is injured, added 25 as the Bucks won.

**Nuggets 96, Timberwolves 91** In Minneapolis, Antonio McDyess helped make up for the absence of Dikembe Mutombo by dominating the inside with 21 points and 12 rebounds.

**Trail Blazers 91, Grizzlies 79** Cliff Robinson scored 23 points and James Robinson added 15 as visiting Portland gained a split of the season series.

**Pistons 105, Celtics 96** Grant Hill had his 10th triple-double with 16 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists, and host Detroit outscored Boston 14-5 in overtime.

*In games reported in some editions. Monday*

**Bulls 98, Cavaliers 72** Michael Jordan scored 32 points and got 12 rebounds as the visiting Bulls tied the Los Lakers' NBA record for most victories at 69.

**Hornets 94, 76ers 78** In Philadelphia, Glen Rice scored 19 points, Larry Johnson had 18 and Kenny Anderson 14 as Charlotte moved back into a tie with idle Miami for the eighth East playoff spot.

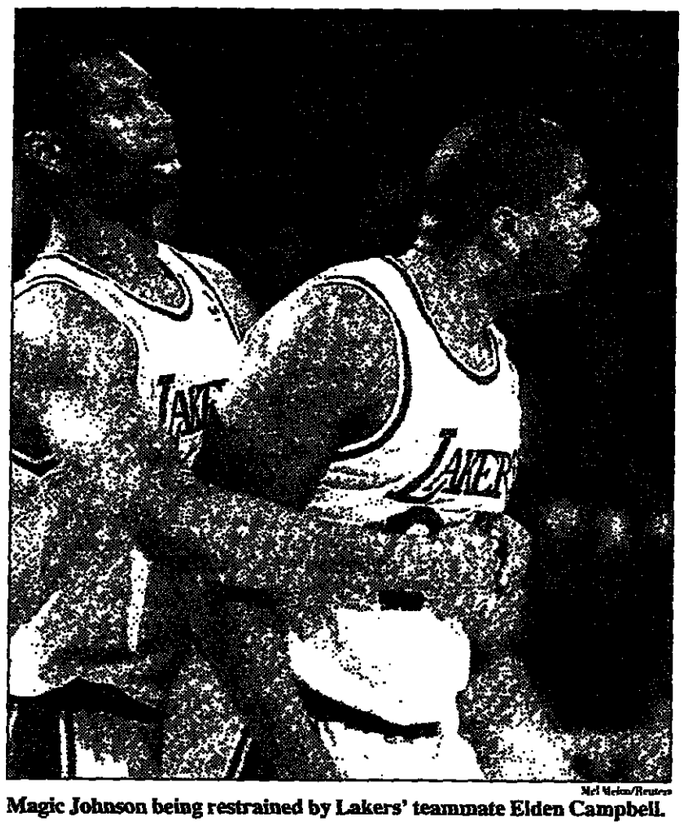
**Bullets 110, Raptors 97** In Landover, Maryland, Washington won its seventh in a row to stay a game behind Charlotte and Miami.

**Hawks 99, Nets 90** Grant Long had 23 points and 14 rebounds and Stacey Augmon and Mookie Blaylock scored 21 apiece as visiting Atlanta handed New Jersey its sixth straight loss.

• Reggie Miller was facing the possible end of his career with the Pacers as he underwent surgery Sunday for a fractured eye socket. The free agent-to-be is out at least three weeks and will miss some, if not all, of Indiana's first-round playoff series.

Miller broke the eye socket in a collision Saturday night with Otis Thorpe and Allan Houston of the Pistons.

"We hope he's back in three weeks with protective eyewear, goggles," said Dr. Sanford Kunkel, adding that Miller's injury has left him with double vision.



Mel Evans/Reuters

Magic Johnson being restrained by Lakers' teammate Elden Campbell.

## More Misery for Hapless Boston As Indians Complete the Sweep

*The Associated Press*

Carlos Baerga drove in three runs, two on a double during Cleveland's three-run second inning, and Jack McDowell scattered nine hits as the Indians completed a four-game sweep of Boston by beating the Red Sox, 8-0, on Monday.

Boston's fifth straight loss dropped the Red Sox to 2-10, their worst start since opening the 1927 season 2-11 en route to a 100-loss season. Cleveland, which came into the weekend three games under .500, is now 6-5.

The Red Sox committed two more

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errors in the game, giving them 21 this season. The errors led to three unearned runs and have accounted for 19 of the 77 the team's staff has allowed this season.

*In games played Sunday*

**Indians 7, Red Sox 6** Julio Franco won it for Cleveland with a solo homer off Mike Stanton.

**Tigers 5, Angels 4** In Detroit, Mark Lewis won the game with an RBI single in the bottom of the ninth.

**Twins 4, Orioles 1** In Baltimore, Minnesota snapped the Orioles' five-game winning streak as Francisco Rodriguez pitched 7⅓ innings of three-hit ball.

**Yankees 12, Rangers 3** Andy Pettitte won his third straight start, and Mariano Duncan drove in three runs for the host Yankees.

**Brewers 5, Royals 2** In Milwaukee, Ben McDonald pitched six solid innings and Mike Matheny drove in three runs with a homer and a single.

**Athletics 10, White Sox 5** Mike Bordick went four-for-five and broke an eighth-inning tie with a two-run single, giving the visiting A's their 7,000th victory. The total includes their time in Philadelphia (1901-1954) and Kansas City (1955-67).

**Braves 4, Padres 0** In San Diego, John Smoltz was deprived of a possible no-hitter when the scorer ruled that a ball Ryan Klesko caught then dropped was a double for Tony Gwynn and not an error. He lost his no-hit bid with one out in the seventh. Smoltz didn't allow any other hits, leaving after the eighth inning.

**Mets 10, Rockies 4** In Denver, Jeff Kent homered and drove in three runs. The Mets had nine extra-base hits.

**Cubs 6, Giants 2** Brian McRae had a three-run double and Ryne Sandberg hit his second homer of the season as visiting Chicago avoided a sweep.

**Cardinals 6, Phillies 5** Royce Clayton and Willie McGee each drove in two runs for St. Louis at Busch Stadium.

**Dodgers 6, Marlins 1** Delino DeShields and Brett Butler drove in two runs at Dodger Stadium.

**Reds 9, Astros 2** Vince Coleman homered and singled off Anthony Young to break a 7-7 tie in the seventh as Cincinnati completed a sweep in the second game of a doubleheader.

*In games reported in some editions. Monday*

**Reds 5, Astros 3** Joe Oliver hit a two-run homer in the opener in Cincinnati. Eric Davis had a three-run drive to break a sixth-inning tie.

**Pirates 5, Expos 2** Denny Neagle gave up 10 hits, struck out 10 and walked one in Pittsburgh's first complete game this season.

**Mariners 9, Blue Jays 4** Joey Cora and Doug Strange homered as Seattle completed a three-game sweep in Toronto.

# SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

### Major League Standings

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

**EAST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Baltimore | 9 | 2 | .818 | — |
| New York | 6 | 4 | .600 | 2½ |
| Detroit | 7 | 6 | .538 | 3 |
| Toronto | 5 | 6 | .455 | 4 |
| Boston | 2 | 9 | .182 | 7 |
| **CENTRAL DIVISION** | | | | |
| Cleveland | 5 | 5 | .500 | — |
| Minnesota | 5 | 6 | .455 | ½ |
| Milwaukee | 4 | 6 | .400 | 1 |
| Chicago | 4 | 7 | .364 | 1½ |
| Kansas City | 4 | 7 | .364 | 1½ |
| **WEST DIVISION** | | | | |
| Texas | 8 | 3 | .727 | — |
| Seattle | 6 | 4 | .667 | ½ |
| California | 5 | 6 | .455 | 3 |
| Oakland | 5 | 6 | .455 | 3 |

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

**EAST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Montreal | 7 | 5 | .583 | — |
| Atlanta | 6 | 7 | .462 | 1½ |
| Philadelphia | 5 | 6 | .455 | 1½ |
| New York | 4 | 7 | .364 | 2½ |
| Florida | 4 | 9 | .308 | 3½ |
| **CENTRAL DIVISION** | | | | |
| Cincinnati | 7 | 5 | .583 | — |
| St. Louis | 7 | 5 | .583 | — |
| Chicago | 6 | 5 | .545 | ½ |
| Pittsburgh | 6 | 5 | .545 | ½ |
| Houston | 5 | 8 | .385 | 2½ |
| **WEST DIVISION** | | | | |
| San Diego | 8 | 4 | .667 | — |
| San Francisco | 7 | 5 | .583 | 1 |
| Los Angeles | 7 | 7 | .500 | 2 |
| Colorado | 5 | 6 | .455 | 2½ |

**SUNDAY'S LINE SCORES**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

Seattle 100 000 040—5 10 0
Toronto 010 000 003—4 7 1
Wolcott, M. Jackson (8), Ayala (9) and D. Wilson; Hentgen, Risley (9) and O'Brien. W—Wolcott, 1-0. L—Hentgen, 2-1. HRs—Toronto, A.Gonzalez (2). Seattle, Cora (2), Strange (1).

California 030 010 000—4 7 1
Detroit 004 000 001—5 7 1
Langston, James (8) and Slaught; Aldred, Christopher (6), R.Lewis (8) and Fisherty. W—R. Lewis, 1-0. L—James, 2-1. HR—California, Slaught (2).

Minnesota 000 000 010—1 3 2
Baltimore 000 000 10x—1 3 2
F.Rodriguez, Guardado (8), Stevens (9) and G. Myers; Haynes, A.Rhodes (5), J. Myers (7), R. Myers (9) and Hoiles. W—F. Rodriguez, 1-1. L—Haynes, 0-2. Sv—Stevens (3).

Texas 010 100 001—3 10 2
New York 220 201 22x—12 15 1
Ka.Gross, Brandenburg (2), Whiteside (6) and I. Rodriguez; Pettitte, Hutton (9), Wickman (9) and Leyritz. W—Pettitte, 3-0. L—Ka.Gross, 2-1. HRs—Texas, Greer (1). New York, Duncan (1), Ge.Williams (1).

Kansas City 011 000 000—2 6 2
Milwaukee 300 100 01x—5 9 0
Haney, T. Clark (7), Granger (8) and Macfarlane; McDonald, Miranda (7) and Matheny. W—McDonald, 2-0. L—Haney, 0-2. Sv—Miranda (1). HR—Milwaukee, Matheny (3).

Oakland 000 020 251—10 13 0
Chicago 010 120 001—5 11 2
Van Poppel, Montgomery (6), Groom (7), Bilecki (9) and Ga.Williams; Tapani, L. Thomas (7), Sloan (7), Maggette (9) and Kreuter, Karkovice (9). W—Groom, 1-0. L—Sloan, 0-2. HR—Chicago, Ventura (2).

Cleveland 400 002 000—7 9 1
Boston 001 000 000—1 6 2
Ogea, Shuey (5), Plunk (5), Assenmacher (8), Tavarez (8), Mesa (11) and Alomar; Gordon, Maddux (4), Belinda (6), Slocumb (9), Stanton (11) and Stanley. W—Tavarez, 1-1. L—Stanton, 0-1. Sv—Mesa (3). HRs—Cleveland, Lofton (1), Fryman (2).

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Houston 000 002 010—3 8 1
Cincinnati 020 003 10x—5 9 0
(Game 1)
Hampton, Small (7), Magnan (7), Kile (8) and Eusebio; Schourek, J.Brantley (9) and J. Oliver. W—Schourek, 3-0. L—Hampton, 2-1. Sv—J. Brantley (3). HRs—Cincinnati, E. Davis (1), J. Oliver (1).

Houston 100 002 410—8 14 1
Cincinnati 001 001 20x—4 11 0
(Game 2)
Drabek, Magnan (4), Tabaka (7), A. Young (8) and Wilkins; Smiley, Pugh (6), Shaw (7), Carrasco (8), Brantley (9) and Taubensee. W—Shaw, 2-1. L—A. Young, 0-1. Sv—Brantley (4). HRs—Cin., Coleman (1), Morris (1). Houston, Bagwell (5), Wilkins (2).

Montreal 100 007 000—2 10 1
Pittsburgh 000 030 00x—3 8 1
P.J.Martinez, Dyer (6), Rojas (8) and Webster; Neagle and Kendall. W—Neagle, 1-1. L—P. J.Martinez, 0-1.

Philadelphia 203 000 000—5 6 0
St. Louis 003 030 00x—6 8 2
S.Fernandez, Borland (5), Frey (6), K. Ryan (7) and Santiago; Barber, Parrett (4), Fossas (5), Mathews (6), Eckersley (9) and Borders. W—Mathews, 1-0. L—S. Fernandez, 1-2. Sv—Eckersley (3).

Atlanta 100 002 010—4 11 0
San Diego 000 000 000—0 2 0
Smoltz, Wohlers (9) and Lopez; Valenzuela, Sanders (6), Florie (8) and Johnson. W—Smoltz, 2-1. L—Valenzuela, 0-1. HRs—Atlanta, Lemke (3), Jones (2).

Chicago 100 040 001—6 8 0
San Francisco 100 010 000—2 6 1
Foster, Patterson (7), Wendell (7) and Dorsett; Watson, Bourgeois (8) and Jensen. W—Foster, 2-0. L—Watson, 1-1. Sv—Wendell (2). HRs—Chicago, Sandberg (2), Gomez (1). San Francisco, Hill (4).

Florida 000 001 000—1 8 2
Los Angeles 102 210 00x—6 6 0
Leiter, Weathers (4), Mantei (5), Powell (7), Nen (8) and Johnson; Astacio, Osuna (6), Guthrie (8), Hall (9) and Hernandez. W—Astacio, 1-2. L—Leiter, 2-1.

New York 211 021 300—10 16 0
Colorado 011 000 200—4 12 1
Harnisch, D. Henry (7) and Hundley; Ritz, Painter (6), M. Thompson (8) and Je.Reed. W—Harnisch, 1-0. L—Ritz, 1-2. Sv—D. Henry (1). HRs—New York, Gilkey (4), Kent (1). Colorado, L. Walker (4).

## BASKETBALL

### NBA Standings

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**ATLANTIC DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| y-Orlando | 56 | 22 | .718 | — |
| x-New York | 45 | 33 | .577 | 11 |
| Miami | 40 | 38 | .513 | 16 |
| Washington | 39 | 39 | .500 | 17 |
| Boston | 31 | 48 | .392 | 25½ |
| New Jersey | 29 | 49 | .372 | 27 |
| Philadelphia | 16 | 63 | .202 | 40½ |
| **CENTRAL DIVISION** | | | | |
| z-Chicago | 69 | 9 | .885 | — |
| x-Indiana | 49 | 29 | .628 | 20 |
| x-Detroit | 44 | 34 | .564 | 25 |
| Atlanta | 44 | 34 | .564 | 25 |
| Cleveland | 44 | 34 | .564 | 25 |
| Charlotte | 40 | 38 | .513 | 29 |
| Milwaukee | 24 | 54 | .308 | 45 |
| Toronto | 20 | 58 | .256 | 49 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | |
| **MIDWEST DIVISION** | | | | |
| y-San Antonio | 57 | 21 | .731 | — |
| x-Utah | 52 | 27 | .658 | 5½ |
| x-Houston | 46 | 32 | .590 | 11 |
| Denver | 34 | 44 | .436 | 23 |
| Minnesota | 26 | 53 | .329 | 31½ |
| Dallas | 24 | 54 | .308 | 33 |
| Vancouver | 13 | 65 | .166 | 44 |
| **PACIFIC DIVISION** | | | | |
| y-Seattle | 61 | 17 | .782 | — |
| x-L.A. Lakers | 50 | 28 | .641 | 11 |
| x-Portland | 42 | 36 | .538 | 19 |
| x-Phoenix | 39 | 39 | .500 | 22 |
| Sacramento | 36 | 42 | .462 | 25 |
| Golden State | 35 | 44 | .443 | 26½ |
| L.A. Clippers | 29 | 50 | .367 | 32½ |

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-won conference title

**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Charlotte | 27 | 25 | 18 | 24— | 94 |
| Philadelphia | 27 | 16 | 21 | 14— | 78 |

C: Johnson 7-13 3-3 18; Rice 7-16 2-2 19. P: Alston 6-11 2-4 14; Weatherspoon 8-18 4-4 20. Rebounds— Charlotte 47 (Curry 11). Philadelphia 43 (Pinckney 14). Assists— Charlotte 25 (Anderson 6). Philadelphia 23 (Walters 6).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago | 24 | 22 | 25 | 27— | 98 |
| Cleveland | 17 | 18 | 14 | 23— | 72 |

C: Harper 5-9 3-4 15; Jordan 11-18 6-6 32. C: Mills 7-13 0-0 16; Brandon 9-19 3-4 21. Rebounds— Chicago 45 (Jordan 12). Cleveland 45 (Cage 8). Assists— Chicago 26 (Kukoc 5). Cleveland 20 (Brandon, Sura 5).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toronto | 23 | 31 | 25 | 18— | 97 |
| Washington | 30 | 31 | 26 | 23— | 110 |

T: Murray 9-21 3-4 24; Earl 8-19 10-11 26. W: Cheaney 10-21 2-2 22; Howard 12-19 5-7 29; Legler 7-11 3-3 20. Rebounds— Toronto 59 (Miller 17), Washington 45 (Howard 12). Assists— Toronto 14 (Miller 5), Washington 20 (Whitney 7).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 30 | 23 | 23 | 22— | 99 |
| New Jersey | 15 | 26 | 22 | 27— | 90 |

A: Augmon 8-10 5-5 21; Long 7-14 6-7 22; Blaylock 6-13 6-6 21. N.J.: Gillam 9-21 3-3 19; Bradley 7-17 3-4 17. Rebounds— Atlanta 52 (Long 14), New Jersey 53 (Williams 11). Assists— Atlanta 17 (Augmon, Leaftner 4). New Jersey 16 (Childs 8).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Denver | 27 | 14 | 32 | 25— | 98 |
| Minnesota | 26 | 20 | 20 | 25— | 91 |

D: McDyess 9-18 3-4 21; MacLean 5-10 6-8 16. M: Garnett 6-12 5-6 17; Porter 7-15 7-10 23. Rebounds— Denver 53 (McDyess 12), Minnesota 45 (Lang 8). Assists— Denver 29 (Rose 16), Minnesota 21 (Porter 9).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Phoenix | 31 | 27 | 27 | 29— | 114 |
| L.A. Lakers | 33 | 31 | 27 | 27— | 118 |

P: K.Johnson 10-20 5-5 26; Tisdale 12-21 0-0 24. L.A.: Ceballos 10-20 2-4 23; Jones 8-15 2-3 20; Threatt 9-17 0-0 21. Rebounds— Phoenix 42 (Green 14), Los Angeles 49 (Divac 13). Assists— Phoenix 26 (K.Johnson 16), Los Angeles 27 (Jones, Threatt 7).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Portland | 27 | 15 | 21 | 18— | 81 |
| Vancouver | 26 | 23 | 16 | 14— | 79 |

P: C.Robinson 9-15 4-5 23; J.Robinson 6-11 1-2 15. V: Edwards 9-19 1-2 21; Murdock 6-9 6-6 18. Rebounds— Portland 56 (Sabonis 13), Vancouver 40 (Avent 9). Assists— Portland 18 (Mickle 6), Vancouver 29 (Anthony 7).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Boston | 22 | 27 | 14 | 28 | 5— 96 |
| Detroit | 22 | 22 | 21 | 26 | 14—105 |

B: Wesley 10-19 0-1 24; Barros 9-16 1-1 22. D: Thorpe 7-11 6-10 20; Houston 11-21 3-5 27; Dumars 8-15 5-7 23. Rebounds— Boston 57 (Ellison 18), Detroit 63 (Thorpe 17). Assists— Boston 13 (Fox, Wesley, Brown 3). Detroit 17 (Hill 10).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Orlando | 28 | 24 | 30 | 19— | 101 |
| Milwaukee | 32 | 32 | 22 | 28— | 114 |

O: Grant 10-19 0-0 21; O'Neal 14-23 9-17 37. M: Baker 10-19 7-7 27; Newman 10-14 4-5 25. Rebounds— Orlando 56 (O'Neal 16), Milwaukee 48 (Benjamin 11). Assists— Orlando 25 (Scott 6), Mil. 28 (Douglas 10).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| L.A. Clippers | 16 | 32 | 19 | 29— | 96 |
| Sacramento | 21 | 19 | 32 | 29— | 101 |

L.A.: Vaught 8-14 2-2 18; Barry 4-8 8-10 17. S: Polynice 7-14 4-6 18; Richmond 9-19 9-11 30. Rebounds— Los Angeles 44 (Vaught 10), Sacramento 60 (Polynice 18). Assists— L.A. 19 (Dehere 8), Sacramento 22 (Edney 10).

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Utah | 28 | 25 | 17 | 20— | 82 |
| Golden State | 23 | 19 | 27 | 24— | 93 |

U: Malone 7-13 5-11 19; Corr 10-10 0-0 20. G.S.: Smith 8-14 0-1 16; Sprewell 12-20 3-5 30. Rebounds— Utah 43 (Malone 11), Golden State 55 (Kersey, Smith 13). Assists— Utah 28 (Stockton 14), G.S. 24 (Sprewell 8).

## HOCKEY

**FINAL NHL STANDINGS**

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**ATLANTIC DIVISION**

| | W | L | T | Pts | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| y-Philadelphia | 45 | 24 | 13 | 103 | 282 | 208 |
| x-N.Y. Rangers | 41 | 27 | 14 | 96 | 272 | 237 |
| x-Florida | 41 | 31 | 10 | 92 | 258 | 230 |
| x-Washington | 39 | 32 | 11 | 89 | 234 | 204 |
| x-Tampa Bay | 38 | 32 | 12 | 88 | 238 | 248 |
| New Jersey | 37 | 33 | 12 | 86 | 215 | 202 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 22 | 58 | 10 | 54 | 229 | 315 |
| **NORTHEAST DIVISION** | | | | | | |
| y-Pittsburgh | 49 | 29 | 4 | 102 | 362 | 284 |
| x-Boston | 40 | 31 | 11 | 91 | 282 | 269 |
| x-Montreal | 40 | 32 | 10 | 90 | 265 | 248 |
| Hartford | 34 | 39 | 9 | 77 | 237 | 299 |
| Buffalo | 33 | 42 | 7 | 73 | 247 | 262 |
| Ottawa | 18 | 59 | 5 | 41 | 191 | 291 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | | | |
| **CENTRAL DIVISION** | | | | | | |
| | W | L | T | Pts | GF | GA |
| y-Detroit | 62 | 13 | 7 | 131 | 325 | 181 |
| x-Chicago | 40 | 28 | 14 | 94 | 273 | 226 |
| x-Toronto | 34 | 36 | 12 | 80 | 247 | 252 |
| x-St. Louis | 32 | 34 | 16 | 80 | 219 | 248 |
| x-Winnipeg | 36 | 40 | 6 | 78 | 275 | 291 |
| Dallas | 26 | 42 | 14 | 66 | 227 | 280 |
| **PACIFIC DIVISION** | | | | | | |
| y-Colorado | 47 | 25 | 10 | 104 | 326 | 240 |
| x-Calgary | 34 | 37 | 11 | 79 | 241 | 240 |
| x-Vancouver | 32 | 35 | 15 | 79 | 278 | 278 |
| Anaheim | 35 | 39 | 8 | 78 | 234 | 247 |
| Edmonton | 30 | 44 | 8 | 68 | 239 | 304 |
| Los Angeles | 24 | 40 | 16 | 66 | 256 | 302 |
| San Jose | 20 | 55 | 7 | 47 | 252 | 357 |

y-clinched division title
x-clinched playoff spot

**SUNDAY'S RESULTS**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia | 0 | 3 | 0—3 |
| Tampa Bay | 0 | 1 | 0—1 |

First Period—None. Second Period: P-Lindros 47 (Hawerchuk, Dykhuis) :17. 2, T-Selivanov 31 (Cullen) (pp). 3, P-Huffman 5 (Lindros). 4, P- Brind'Amour 26 (Pattison, Druce). Third Period—None. Shots on goal: P- 12-11-11—34. T- 8-13-8—29. Goalies: P-Snow. T-Reese.

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|---|---|---|---|
| St. Louis | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0—2 |
| Chicago | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0—2 |

First Period: S.L.-Creighton 11 (Wells), 2, C-Nichols 19 (Suter, Chelios) (pp). Second Period—None. Third Period: C-Probert 19 (Savard), 4. St. Louis, Courtnall 24 (Leach). Overtime—None. Shots on goal: S.L.- 10-14-24-4—52. C- 7-5-5-2—19. Goalies: S.L.-Fuhr. C-Belfour.

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|---|---|---|---|
| N.Y. Rangers | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Florida | 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 |

First Period: F-Sheppard 37 (Barnes-Lowry). 2, F-Niedermayer 26 (Woolley) (pp). 3, F-Mellanby 22 (Niedermayer, Woolley) (pp). Second Period: F-Gerpenior 23 (Niedermayer, Mellanby). 5, New York, Verbeek 41 (Leach, Karpovtsev) (pp). Third Period: F-Dionne 1 (Laus, Washburn). Shots on goal: New York 7-7-5—19. F- 14-11-6—31. Goalies: New York, M.Richter. F-Vanbiesbrouck.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Pittsburgh | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Boston | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 |

First Period: P-Miller 27 (Lemieux, Smolinski) :20. 2, P-Lemieux 69 (Neckvd, Jagr). 3, B-Sutter 5 (Mager, Bourque). 4, B-Donato 23 (Oates, Stumpel) (pp). Second Period: B-Tocchet 29 (Bourque, Rohloff) (pp). 6, P-Neckvd 44 (Lemieux, Jagr) (pp). 7, P-Miller 28 (Lemieux, Smolinski). 8, B-Mager 15 (Oates, Bourque) (pp). 9, B-McLaren 5 (Oates, Sutter). Third Period—10, P-Neckvd 45 (Daigneault, Lemieux) (pp). 11, B-Heinze 16 (Oates, Donato). Shots on goal: P- 4-12-8—24. B- 11-17-12—40. Goalies: P-Barrasso. B-Ranford 21-12-4 (24-19).

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| Detroit | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Dallas | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |

First Period: D-Fedorov 39. Second Period: D-Langenbrunner 2 (Harvey, D.Hatcher) (pp). 3, D-Coffey 14. Third Period: D-Kozlov 25 (Fetisov, Fedorov). 5, D-Primeau 27 (Coffey, Draper). 6, D-Kozlov 36 (Brown, Eriksson). Shots on goal: D- 5-13-12—30. D- 6-9-7—22. Goalies: D-Osgood, D-Wakaluk.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Los Angeles | 2 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Colorado | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 |

First Period: L.A.-Khristich 26 (O'Donnell, Yachmenev). 2, Colorado, Simon 15 (Sakic, Ozolinsh). 3, L.A.-Perreault 24 (sh). Second Period: L.A.-Khristich 27 (Slaney, LaFayette). 5, Colorado, Yelle 13 (Keane, Ricci). 6, Colorado, Simon 16 (Krupp, Young) (pp). Third Period: L.A.-Ferraro 29 (LaFayette, Slaney). 8, Colorado, Ozolinsh 14 (Kamensky, Sakic) (sh). Overtime—9, L.A.-Perreault 25 (LaFayette, Stevens). Shots on goal: L.A.- 5-9-11-4—29. Colorado 7-18-12-2—39. Goalies: L.A.-Hrudey. Colorado, Roy.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Hartford | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Buffalo | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 |

First Period: H-Shanahan 44 (Nikolishin), 2, B-Plante 22 (Zhitnik, Ray). Second Period: B-LaFontaine 40 (Burridge, Dowe) (pp). Third Period: B-Plante 23 (Jackson, Hughes). 5, B- Pecz 11 (Jackson, Hughes). Shots on goal: H- 6-10-10—26. B- 12-10-17—39. Goalies: H-Muzzatti, Burke. B-Treffiov.

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|---|---|---|---|
| Winnipeg | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Anaheim | 1 | 3 | 1 | 5 |

First Period: A-Oksiuta 23 (Semenov, Selanne) (pp). Second Period: A-Jomphe 2 (Karpa, Van Impe) (pp). 3, A-Van Allen 8 (Jomphe). 4, A-Kariya 49 (Oksiuta, Van Impe). Third Period: A-Kariya 50 (Oksiuta). 6, W- Olczyk 27 (Finley). 7, W-Shannon 5 (Eastwood, Tverdovsky). Shots on goal: W-7-9-13—28. A- 9-12-13-34. Goalies: W-Khabibulin, Roussel. A-Hebert.

### Pre-Olympic Tournament

**IN ATLANTA, GA.**

**FIELD HOCKEY RESULTS**

South Korea 4, Argentina 2
Pakistan 2, United States 1

## NHL Playoffs

**FIRST ROUND**

**(BEST-OF-7)**

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

**Philadelphia vs. Tampa Bay**

Begins Tuesday, April 16 in Philadelphia

**Pittsburgh vs. Washington**

Begins Wednesday, April 17 in Pittsburgh

**New York Rangers vs. Montreal**

Begins April 16 in New York

**Florida vs. Boston**

Begins April 17 in Florida

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

**Detroit vs. Winnipeg**

Begins April 17 in Detroit

**Colorado vs. Vancouver**

Begins April 16 in Colorado

**Chicago vs. Calgary**

Begins April 17 in Chicago

**Toronto vs. St. Louis**

Begins April 16 in Toronto

## SOCCER

**FRENCH FIRST DIVISION**

Metz 0, Monaco 3

**SPANISH FIRST DIVISION**

Tenerife 4, Salamanca 0
Atletico Madrid 1, Real Betis 1

**MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER**

Dallas 1, San Jose 0
(Dallas won 2-1 on shootout).

## GOLF

### Masters Tournament

Leading graded scores Sunday from the final round of the 60th Masters on the 6,925-yard, par-72 Augusta National Golf Club course:

| | |
|---|---|
| Nick Faldo | 69-67-73-67—276 |
| Greg Norman | 63-69-71-78—281 |
| Phil Mickelson | 65-73-72-72—282 |
| Frank Nobilo | 71-71-72-69—283 |
| Scott Hoch | 67-73-73-71—284 |
| Duffy Waldorf | 72-71-69-72—284 |
| Corey Pavin | 75-66-73-71—285 |
| Jeff Maggert | 71-73-72-69—285 |
| Davis Love III | 72-71-74-68—285 |
| David Frost | 70-68-74-74—286 |
| Ernie Els | 71-71-72-73—287 |

## TENNIS

**BAUSCH & LOMB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**IN AMELIA ISLAND, FLA.**

**FINAL**

Irina Spirlea (3), Romania, def. Mary Pierce (7), France, 6-7 (7-9), 6-4, 6-3.

## CRICKET

**SHARJAH CUP**

**PAKISTAN VS. INDIA**

**MONDAY, IN SHARJAH, U.A.E.**

India innings: 305-6 (50 overs)
Pakistan innings: 277 (all out, 46.1 overs).
Result: India won by 28 runs.

## RUGBY

**EUROPEAN SUPER LEAGUE**

St Helens 26, Bradford 20
Castleford 10, Wigan 28
Sheffield 34, London 18

## FOOTBALL

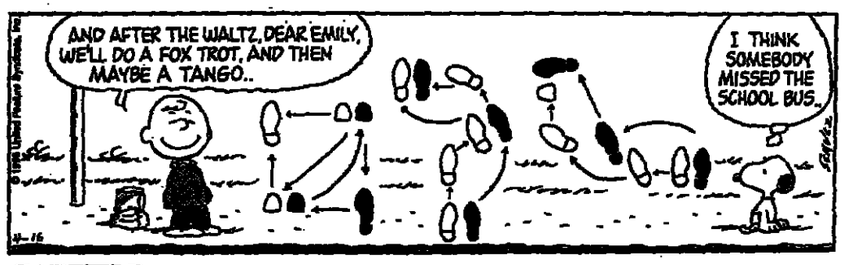
**WORLD LEAGUE**

Barcelona 34, Amsterdam 27

**DENNIS THE MENACE**

"I'M TIRED BECAUSE HE'S NOT!"

**PEANUTS**

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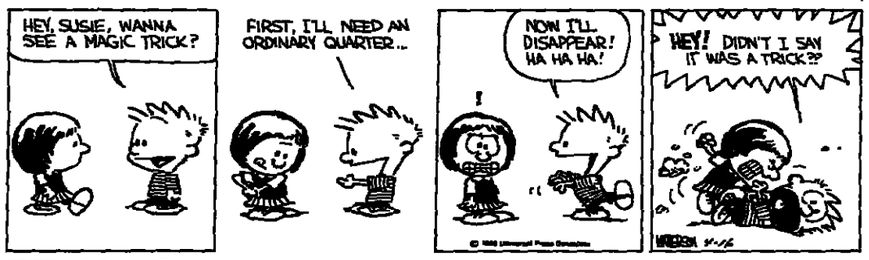


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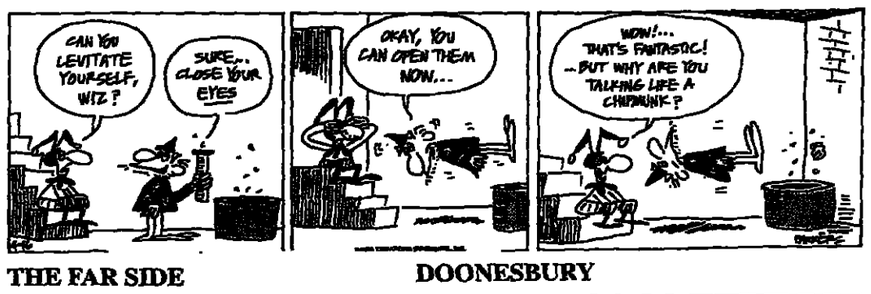
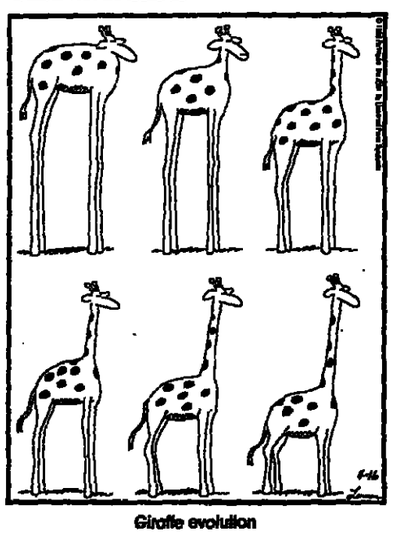
**WIZARD of ID**




**BEETLE BAILEY**

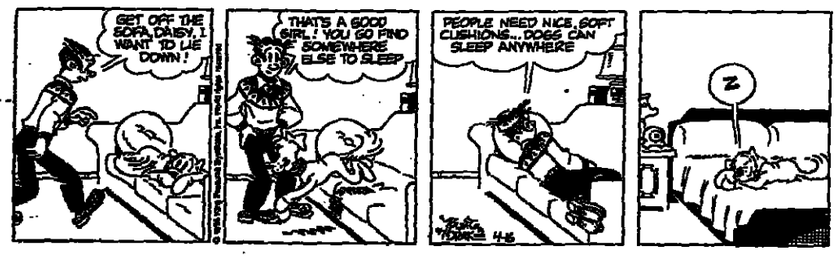
**THE FAR SIDE**



Giraffe evolution

**DOONESBURY**

**BLONDIE**




**JUMBLE**

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

TUFLE
IPPUL
MAULSY
UNGOLE

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer here: HE HAD OF (Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: POUCH KEYED RACIAL MOSQUE
Answer: Diamond collars are always looking for this — A PIECE OF THE ROCK

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## ART BUCHWALD

# Judicial Miracles

WASHINGTON — Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia recently addressed a prayer breakfast in Jackson, Mississippi. He told the audience that they should defend their religious beliefs against the assaults of a secular society. He said that Christians must proclaim their belief in miracles and ignore the scorn of the "worldly wise."

Buchwald

The thrust of Scalia's address was that the sophisticated world treats Christians as fools for their faith and refuses to accept their beliefs seriously.

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I would like to respectfully submit a dissent to the justice's position. While there could be a few "worldly wise people" questioning religious miracles, most secular people I know — especially lawyers — believe in miracles.

The question of whether religious miracles are more miraculous than secular ones is up for grabs. A worldly wise friend of mine maintains that a miracle is a miracle is a miracle, and if you believe in one, it doesn't matter whose faith you are pledged to.

Those who believe in religious miracles are far more impassioned than those who don't. The secular society that Scalia attacked does not have strong feelings about what goes on in someone else's church. But many church members express contempt for those who won't buy their particular religious package.

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Obviously what bothers the "worldly wise" is not that miracles exist, but that a Supreme Court justice questions those who don't believe in the ones that he believes in. Secular Americans pray that their Supreme Court justices will not make religious judgments against certain members of our society, even if it produces a standing ovation in Jackson, Mississippi.

When a justice is hearing a case, no secular person can feel comfortable with a member of the court who is thinking, "If this lawyer doesn't believe in the 'burning bush,' he has a serious constitutional problem."

So that I don't receive a great deal of mail on this, I wish to state that I believe in every miracle that everybody else believes in — whether they be Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu or Buddhist. At the same time, my cousin Zero doesn't believe in any. Zero has no cases pending before the Supreme Court at the moment. But when he does I hope that Scalia treats him with as much fairness as he would treat me.

Based on the justice's speech in Jackson — it would be a miracle.

### 'Trojan' Gold Unveiled

*The Associated Press*

MOSCOW — One of the most famous archaeological finds in history, a stunning collection of gold from the site of ancient Troy, was unveiled Monday. The gold, also known as "King Priam's Treasure" since its discovery by Heinrich Schliemann more than a century ago, had remained in the vaults of the Pushkin Museum for half a century since the Red Army took it from Berlin. The treasure goes on public display Tuesday.

# Christopher Reeve: The Will of Superman

By Trip Gabriel
*New York Times Service*

POUND RIDGE, New York — In the home gym that was once a two-car garage but is now carpeted and freshly painted, there is a cushioned board known as a tilt table. A quadriplegic can be strapped onto it and swiveled upright to about 75 degrees, to reacquaint his feet with the weight of his dead limbs. "If you don't keep working on your body, muscles atrophy," the man who had the gym built said.

"Bones become brittle and unable to take weight. All of this is in preparation for walking, of course."

Of course?

Well, yes, at least in the mind of Christopher Reeve, who sees certain success where others might find only doubts. The "Superman" star believes there will be a cure for his paralysis, and in anticipation of that day, when he plans to rise out of the wheelchair he now must steer by blowing into a tube, he is keeping fit with physical therapy.

Since he broke his neck in a horseback-riding accident nearly a year ago, Reeve has become perhaps the most visible quadriplegic ever. His desire to define himself not as a patient but as a person has carried him to an emotional Oscar-night appearance, and recently has led him into a health-insurance-reform fight on Capitol Hill, where a measure he has lobbied for is scheduled to be introduced in the Senate on April 18.

"Yes, it was terrible what happened to me," Reeve said. "But why should I be exempt? I had one very unlucky and unpredictable moment. The choice is whether to wallow in self-pity and musings about the past or to take a pro-active stance about the future."

Reeve, his wife, Dana, and their 3-year-old son, Will, live in a contemporary shingle-sided farmhouse in this woodsy suburb. Gradually the house is being refitted with steel ramps and wider doors to meet his needs. Since there is no elevator to the second floor, he has been sleeping in the living room. He hopes to begin work soon on a wheelchair-friendly wing.

Only a few years ago, a patient like Reeve would have lived out his days in a nursing home. But now, thanks in large part to a portable ventilator that fits behind his wheelchair, he is able to live at home.

He said he still needs round-the-clock nursing care in case his ventilator fails — as it did twice the night before. He, his doctor and his wife were drawn into a battle royal with his insurance company when it refused at first to pay for the nurses, he said. "They said my wife can just stay home and do it," he said. "I tried to stay out of it, but finally I called and said, 'Think about how unfair it is to expect my wife to stay home 24 hours a day.'" The insurer, which he declined to name, relented.

Reeve's life now is enormously complex. To get him to the Oscars, two months of meticulous planning were required. What worried him most was the risk that once on stage before a worldwide audience, his arms or legs might violently spasm.

"My doctor said, 'If you spasm it's only human, it'll make people aware of what can happen to spinal-cord victims,'" Reeve said. "But it was not going to make me happy. It would make people feel sorry for me."

As he rolled out of his dressing-room door, a bump triggered a spasm. Reeve flopped over at the waist and his arms and legs were left hanging. Aides repositioned him, and he went on without incident.

"I sort of willed myself to not have anything go wrong," he said.

Lizzado Romero/The New York Times

Reeve, whose neck was broken almost a year ago, is making plans to walk.

He appeared that night before millions as he does in his home, his blue eyes and square jaw as lively as in the movies, but attached to a body as immobile as marble. His voice, thanks to the ventilator inflating his lungs 11 times a minute, is clear and steady, with a slightly patrician tone.

Before the accident, Reeve had helped to found the Creative Coalition, a social advocacy group. He was also one of the most persistent celebrity lobbyists defending the National Endowment for the Arts.

Now, he has turned to speaking on behalf of spinal-injury patients. "The more I can do things that I did in quote 'normal' life, the better I feel," he said. He is on the board of the American Paralysis Association, which raises money for research. On May 13 he will be the host at a reception in Washington for another group promoting research, the Dana Alliance for Brain Initiatives. The following day he hopes to meet with President Bill Clinton. Reeve claimed that if the government would commit $40 million a year to spinal-cord research — "a wing of one B-2 bomber" — paralyzing injuries could be curable in 5 to 10 years.

Last month he sent a letter to all U.S. senators asking for support on another health-care issue, one he became aware of, to his great chagrin, while he was a patient at the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation in New Jersey. For the first time, his wife read the fine print on his health insurance policy, which he had bought through a union when he was a television actor, and learned that he had a lifetime cap of $1.2 million in benefits. With his care costing $400,000 a year, his benefits were suddenly inadequate.

He was not alone. About 60 percent of employer-sponsored health plans have lifetime caps, he learned, with $1 million the industry standard. Each year about 1,500 people exhaust their benefits with little choice but to spend their assets until, impoverished, they turn to Medicaid.

"Every day much of the discussion in the halls of Kessler would be about insurance," Reeve said. A paralyzed construction worker had to sell his house, he said. Others faced invading the money they had saved for their children's educations.

In his letter to lawmakers, Reeve asked for support for a proposal by Senator James H. Jeffords, Republican of Vermont, to raise lifetime caps to $10 million. The measure is opposed by insurance companies and employers' groups, who say it will amount to a costly shackle on business.

Reeve does not pretend that he might soon have to sell his own house. He anticipates that he will be able to make a good living even after his insurance is gone. In January, Random House agreed to pay him a $3 million advance for a book about his recovery. Last week he was cast as the voice of King Arthur in a Warner Brothers animated feature, "The Quest for Camelot." And he has found a place on the lucrative circuit of elite motivational speakers. He has booked about a dozen speaking dates through the end of the year, at fees of $50,000 to $60,000 each.

"This insurance fight is not so much for me," Reeve said. "It's for the people down the hall from me at Kessler who are desperate and became my friends over the seven months I was there."

Reeve said that once his primary insurance policy runs out in two years, he has another policy that should last for three more years.

"That's a total of five," he said. "I'm expecting that within five years, if we get the funding, I'll be up and around. I'm not kidding. I really believe that."

## POSTCARD

# Philip Marlowe, the View From 10 Feet or 30

By William Grimes
*New York Times Service*

NEW YORK — Philip Marlowe was a private eye who operated with the basics: a gun, a bottle of rye and a wisecrack. But how would he fare today, half a century after walking the mean streets of Los Angeles in the novels of Raymond Chandler?

"He might do all right," said Michael Hershman, the president of the Fairfax Group, a private investigating company. "He had patience, persistence and a good line."

John Miller, a crime reporter for TV and more recently a deputy police commissioner for New York City, agreed. "Chandler is not as far from reality as you might think," he said at a panel organized by Random House, which has reissued "Farewell My Lovely" and "The Big Sleep" in a Modern Library volume.

Miller said that as a rookie crime reporter he relied on Chandler's novels to pass as a detective while covering his first murder. He blew his cover by putting the wrong end of a cigar in his mouth.

"You spend so much time in the cars, the endless hours waiting for someone to come out a door, that you start to feel like these characters you read about," said Miller, whose fellow panelists included Lynda La Plante, the creator of "Prime Suspect"; the mystery writer Mickey Spillane, the filmmaker Paul Morrissey, and Sarah Lovett, a former forensic researcher and the author of the crime novel "Dangerous Attachments."

Presiding over the discussion was arold Evans, the president and publisher of Random House adult trade books.

La Plante praised Chandler for his "concise, cruel" character descriptions, and read one aloud, from "The High Window": "From 30 feet away she looked like a lot of class. From 10 feet away she looked like something made up to be seen from 30 feet away."

The touchy subject of Chandler and women led to a tough analytic session. La Plante theorized that Chandler desired the women he wrote about, who tended to be extremes, either luscious, leggy mantraps, or boozy chain-smokers with some hard miles on the odometer. "Chandler had a very adolescent view of women," said Lovett, who confessed that after reading her first Chandler at 13 or 14, she had run around her neighborhood in a raincoat and fedora looking in people's windows. "I really responded to the character's alienation and pessimism," she said.

## WEATHER

### Europe

| | Today High | Today Low/W | Tomorrow High | Tomorrow Low/W |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | C/F | C/F | C/F | C/F |
| Algarve | 24/75 | 16/61 pc | 23/73 | 15/59 pc |
| Amsterdam | 13/55 | 8/46 s | 13/55 | 8/48 r |
| Andorra | 18/64 | 7/44 sh | 22/71 | 5/41 r |
| Athens | 17/62 | 9/48 sh | 14/57 | 8/46 c |
| Barcelona | 16/64 | 11/52 s | 18/64 | 13/55 c |
| Belgrade | 6/43 | 2/35 r | 13/55 | 4/39 sh |
| Berlin | 14/57 | 0/32 s | 17/62 | 5/43 s |
| Brussels | 16/61 | 7/44 s | 17/62 | 8/46 r |
| Budapest | 8/46 | 0/43 r | 14/57 | 5/43 r |
| Copenhagen | 13/55 | 1/34 s | 13/55 | 6/43 pc |
| Costa Del Sol | 23/73 | 15/59 s | 22/71 | 16/61 s |
| Dublin | 14/57 | 9/48 r | 13/56 | 3/37 sh |
| Edinburgh | 12/53 | 9/48 r | 12/53 | 6/43 r |
| Florence | 14/57 | 4/39 pc | 20/68 | 8/46 s |
| Frankfurt | 13/55 | -2/29 s | 17/62 | 5/41 pc |
| Geneva | 16/61 | 2/35 s | 21/70 | 8/46 s |
| Helsinki | 4/39 | -2/29 pc | 4/39 | 0/32 r |
| Istanbul | 14/57 | 10/50 r | 14/57 | 4/39 sh |
| Las Palmas | 25/77 | 18/64 s | 25/77 | 18/65 s |
| Lisbon | 22/71 | 15/59 pc | 19/66 | 14/57 pc |
| London | 14/57 | 11/52 c | 14/57 | 7/44 r |
| Madrid | 22/71 | 12/53 pc | 22/71 | 10/50 r |
| Milan | 18/64 | 3/37 s | 25/77 | 9/48 s |
| Moscow | 7/44 | -1/31 r | 8/46 | -1/31 pc |
| Munich | 11/52 | -1/31 pc | 17/62 | 4/39 s |
| Nice | 17/62 | 7/44 pc | 20/68 | 11/52 s |
| Oslo | 11/52 | 4/39 pc | 14/57 | 7/44 c |
| Palma de Mallorca | 17/62 | 12/53 s | 17/62 | 14/57 c |
| Paris | 16/61 | 10/50 pc | 17/62 | 9/48 sh |
| Prague | 14/57 | 9/32 s | 18/64 | 5/41 s |
| Reykjavik | 7/44 | 5/41 r | 7/44 | 3/37 r |
| Rome | 13/55 | 6/43 pc | 17/62 | 8/46 s |
| St. Petersburg | 3/37 | -4/25 c | 3/37 | -3/27 sn |
| Stockholm | 6/46 | -1/31 s | 8/46 | 4/39 r |
| Strasbourg | 17/62 | 2/35 s | 23/73 | 8/46 s |
| Tallinn | 3/37 | -1/31 pc | 4/39 | 1/34 r |
| Venice | 16/59 | 6/43 pc | 21/70 | 10/50 s |
| Vienna | 8/46 | 2/37 r | 15/59 | 5/41 pc |
| Warsaw | 11/52 | 1/34 c | 18/61 | 3/37 pc |
| Zurich | 15/59 | 2/35 pc | 22/71 | 7/44 s |

### Oceania

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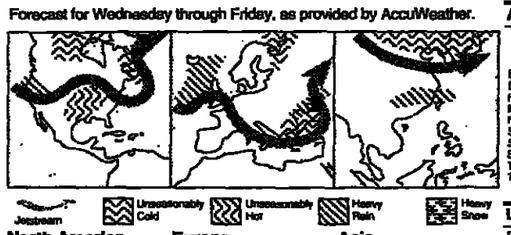
| Auckland | 22/71 | 18/61 r | 23/71 | 18/61 pc |
| Sydney | 21/70 | 14/57 pc | 20/68 | 13/56 pc |

Forecast for Wednesday through Friday, as provided by AccuWeather.




**North America** Brisk and chilly in New York City and Washington, D.C., Wednesday, then *sunny and much milder* Thursday. Warm with some sunshine Friday. Thunderstorms in Chicago Thursday and Friday along with a warm wind. Rains in San Francisco Wednesday.

**Europe** A shower in London Wednesday, then partly sunny Thursday. Pleasant *with sunshine in Madrid* Wednesday, Thursday and probably Friday. Cool Wednesday and Thursday in Rome, then milder with sunshine Friday. Unseasonably chilly with showers Wednesday and Thursday in Istanbul.

**Asia** A few showers and windy in Tokyo Wednesday; cool for the season Thursday *and Friday. Rather chilly* Wednesday through Friday in Seoul. Rain in Shanghai Thursday and Thursday night. Warm *and humid in* Hong Kong late this week, but it could shower a few times

### Middle East

| | Today High | Today Low/W | Tomorrow High | Tomorrow Low/W |
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| Abu Dhabi | 32/89 | 23/73 pc | 31/88 | 19/66 s |
| Beirut | 20/68 | 13/55 s | 23/73 | 18/64 pc |
| Cairo | 25/77 | 15/59 s | 30/97 | 16/61 c |
| Damascus | 18/64 | 8/43 s | 28/82 | 13/55 s |
| Jerusalem | 20/68 | 12/53 s | 23/73 | 15/59 s |
| Luxor | 29/84 | 12/53 s | 38/100 | 18/64 s |
| Riyadh | 27/80 | 19/66 pc | 28/82 | 17/62 s |

### Africa

| | Today High | Today Low/W | Tomorrow High | Tomorrow Low/W |
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| | C/F | C/F | C/F | C/F |
| Algiers | 18/64 | 12/53 pc | 21/70 | 14/57 s |
| Cape Town | 19/66 | 12/53 pc | 19/66 | 9/48 s |
| Casablanca | 20/72 | 14/57 s | 27/80 | 15/61 s |
| Harare | 28/82 | 13/55 pc | 27/80 | 14/57 pc |
| Lagos | 32/89 | 25/79 pc | 32/89 | 25/79 pc |
| Nairobi | 21/70 | 13/55 t | 23/73 | 14/57 c |
| Tunis | 17/62 | 6/43 c | 18/64 | 9/48 pc |

### Asia

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| | C/F | C/F | C/F | C/F |
| Bangkok | 36/100 | 28/79 pc | 36/97 | 27/80 pc |
| Beijing | 23/73 | 7/44 pc | 22/71 | 10/50 pc |
| Hong Kong | 24/75 | 19/66 s | 25/77 | 21/70 pc |
| Manila | 29/84 | 24/75 c | 30/88 | 24/75 pc |
| New Delhi | 39/100 | 24/75 s | 40/104 | 24/75 s |
| Seoul | 18/64 | 6/43 s | 13/55 | 6/43 r |
| Shanghai | 14/57 | 10/50 r | 21/70 | 13/55 s |
| Singapore | 33/91 | 24/75 pc | 33/91 | 24/75 sh |
| Taipei | 19/66 | 17/62 s | 27/80 | 20/68 pc |
| Tokyo | 15/59 | 8/46 pc | 19/66 | 10/50 pc |

### Latin America

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buenos Aires | 20/68 | 10/50 c | 17/62 | 9/48 pc |
| Caracas | 31/88 | 21/70 pc | 31/88 | 22/71 s |
| Lima | 23/73 | 18/64 pc | 24/75 | 19/66 c |
| Mexico City | 27/80 | 13/55 s | 25/77 | 12/53 s |
| Rio de Janeiro | 27/80 | 21/70 pc | 28/82 | 22/71 pc |
| Santiago | 17/62 | 4/39 pc | 21/70 | 8/46 pc |

### North America

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| Anchorage | 10/50 | 6/43 sh | 11/52 | 2/35 pc |
| Atlanta | 24/75 | 7/44 t | 20/68 | 9/48 pc |
| Boston | 7/44 | 1/34 s | 17/62 | 7/44 r |
| Chicago | 7/44 | 1/34 r | 13/55 | 4/39 pc |
| Denver | 16/61 | 3/37 s | 27/80 | 7/44 s |
| Detroit | 11/52 | 5/41 r | 14/57 | 3/37 pc |
| Honolulu | 27/80 | 21/70 pc | 29/84 | 22/71 pc |
| Houston | 23/73 | 7/44 s | 24/75 | 13/55 s |
| Los Angeles | 25/77 | 11/52 pc | 24/75 | 11/52 pc |
| Miami | 29/84 | 21/70 pc | 29/84 | 21/70 pc |
| Minneapolis | 6/43 | -2/29 c | 15/59 | 4/39 s |
| Montreal | 11/52 | -6/22 pc | 8/46 | -3/27 r |
| Nassau | 29/84 | 22/71 pc | 29/84 | 22/71 t |
| New York | 12/53 | 6/43 pc | 18/64 | 8/46 r |
| Phoenix | 33/91 | 15/61 s | 31/88 | 18/61 s |
| San Fran. | 17/62 | 11/52 sh | 17/62 | 11/52 pc |
| Seattle | 17/62 | 8/46 sh | 16/61 | 8/48 r |
| Toronto | 11/52 | 2/35 c | 10/50 | 1/34 c |
| Vancouver | 19/66 | 11/52 sh | 18/64 | 6/43 r |
| Washington | 16/61 | 8/46 c | 18/64 | 8/46 r |

Legend: s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, Ice, W-Weather. All maps, forecasts and data provided by AccuWeather, Inc. © 1996

## PEOPLE

THE actress Cybill Shepherd has admitted to a secret affair with Elvis Presley when she was a 23-year-old model in Memphis. "He was still looking fabulous. He was a sweet man. And he smelled great," the 46-year-old star of "Cybill" says in TV Guide. But after a month, Shepherd tired of Presley's drug dependence and left him to return to the director Peter Bogdanovich. "I couldn't handle the whole thing with the pills," she said. "Pills to go to sleep. Pills to wake up. I think that lifestyle limits you." Presley died in 1977 at the age of 42.

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The Spanish film director Pedro Almodóvar has been named a knight of the Order of Arts and Letters, France's highest honor in the arts. Almodóvar has won international acclaim for his films, including "Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown," "Tie Me Up, Tie Me Down" and "The Flower of My Secret."

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The American actress Jamie Lee Curtis is an English lady following the death of her British father-in-law, Burke's Peerage reported Monday. Curtis, the daughter of Tony Curtis and Janet Leigh, gets the title from her husband, Christopher Guest, whose father, Lord Haden-Guest, died in California at the age of 82. She is now a baroness, Lady Haden-Guest. "She cannot be known as Lady Lee Curtis," a Burke's spokesman said. "But there is, of course, no reason why she cannot continue acting under her professional name. It would sound better than, 'Starring Lady Haden-Guest,' wouldn't it?"

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Luciano Pavarotti's new love says she prefers rock music to opera. "At the beginning we had a lot of problems because I was bored to death by listening to opera," Nicoletta Mantovani told the Italian newspaper Corriere della Sera. Mantovani, Pavarotti's 26-year-old secretary, also said she feels much better since her relationship with the tenor has come out in the open. Last month, Pavarotti and his manager-wife, Aduza, agreed to a separation after 35 years of marriage.

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The richest people in Britain are getting even richer, but the flamboyant entrepreneur Richard Branson has dropped out of the top 10. The wealthiest man in Britain, once again, is the packaging magnate Hans Rausing, with a fortune estimated at £2.88 billion ($4.32 billion), according to the annual report on the 500 richest Britons compiled by The Sunday Times. Rausing last year shared the top spot with his brother, Gad, with a combined £4 billion. Gad has since moved to Switzerland. Branson, who runs Virgin Atlantic Airways and other businesses with the Virgin name, increased his wealth to £800 million from £725 million, but slipped from ninth to 12th on the list.

The Associated Press

WEDDING DAY — The actor-director Dennis Hopper and his new wife, Victoria Duffy, after their marriage in Boston, with Hopper's son, Henry Lee, 5.

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Christian Slater had to flee through a bedroom window to escape flames engulfing the deck of a home northwest of Los Angeles where he spent the night. A smoke detector woke the actor and flames prevented him from leaving out a bedroom door. He and an unidentified woman escaped through a first-floor bedroom window with two dogs. No one was injured.

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Sylvester Stallone is putting his Beverly Hills mansion on the market, complete with swimming pool, movie theater, art gallery and gym, for $5.5 million, the Los Angeles Times reports. The star recently sold his Hawaii home and is now spending most of his time at his $6 million Miami home.

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More Britons would like to see Princess Anne as their monarch than her brother Prince Charles, according to a poll commissioned by Independent Television. Anne — eighth in line to the throne and once the least popular of Queen Elizabeth II's four children — led the Mori poll, with 33 percent of respondents choosing her from a list of heirs and other public figures. Charles came second, backed by 26 percent of respondents.

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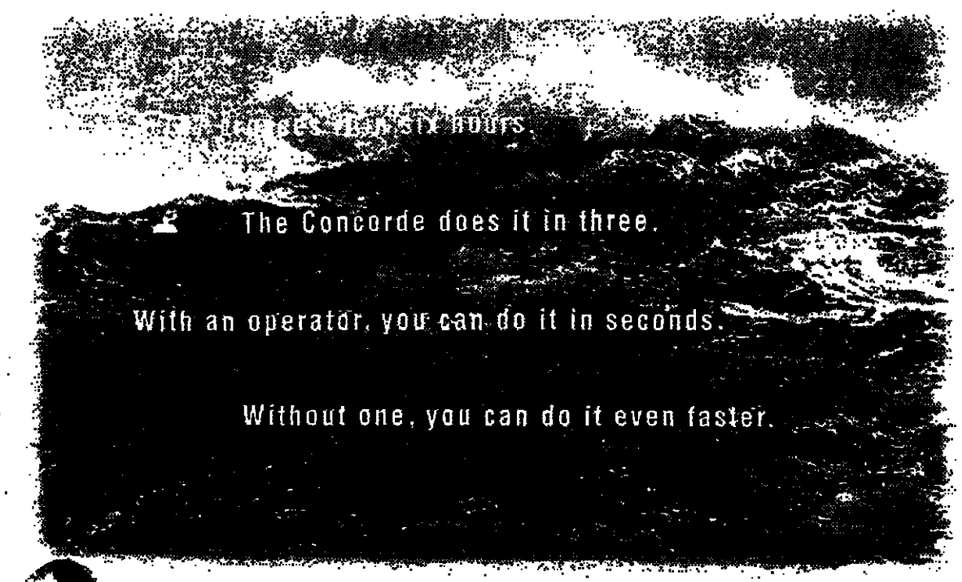
The novelist Judith Krantz sees nothing wrong with living for social approval. "I feel a compulsion to live up to other people's standards — which, by now, I should have outgrown," Krantz says in Entertainment Weekly. "But it doesn't matter. I've accepted the fact I'm like that."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